

Franklin County Commissioners
January 5, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners – Tom Wilson, Eric Roberts – Tom Linkel (absent)

Commissioners Secretary – Carol Westerman

Auditor – Stephen Brack

Open – The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Part-time Hours – President Wilson commented on the number of hours worked at 911 and other areas where part-time employees are working over 30 hours. The department heads have been reminded about this twice. This could mean that the county could end up paying \$300,000.00 in fines for a violation to the Affordable Care Act. This has been going on since 2013 and now we are forced to deal with this. Commissioner Roberts noted that the 911 operation requires 9 employees to work the 24/7 schedule without allowing for vacations and other absences.

VSO – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge the VSO report and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

2015-01 – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the ordinance to amend the Franklin County Citizens Zoning Code and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion Carried.

Ted Cooley – gave an update on Replacement Project – Bridge #168, the Rehabilitation Project of Bridge #78 and FHWA Projects to include Sign Project, Bridge #144, and bridge #56. I was decided to wait on making any decisions until Commissioner Linkel was in attendance.

Payroll – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve payroll with the corrections as noted and a 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Official Bonds – A motion was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve official bonds for Sheriff, Clerk, Auditor, Coroner and Recorder. Motion carried.

Cemetery Commission – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve report as filed and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Council – Eric Roberts noted he was going to attend the council meeting to get approval on filing a position at the highway dept.

Adjourn – With no further business a motion was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Eric Roberts to adjourn. Motion carried.

Others in attendance – Sara Duffy, Ben Hiatt, Carol Hiatt, John Estridge, Ted Cooley and Marty Hon.

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Tom Wilson

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Eric Roberts

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ATTEST:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners

January 12, 2015

Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners – Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary – Carol Westerman

Auditor – Stephen Brack

Open – The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of Dec. 22, 2014 and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Eric Roberts abstained. Motion carried. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the minutes of Jan. 5, 2015 and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Tom Linkel abstained. Motion carried.

Public Transportation – Cathy Pelsor presented the 4th Quarter Reimbursement. A motion was made by Tom Linkel for to sign the acknowledgment of receipt of the report and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

James Ballenger – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the site evaluation report that Mr. Ballenger presented for the requirement of blasting and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Curt Kegerreis – presented the report of the SE IN Workforce Investment Board. This board comes together to address challenges and opportunities that exist across 10 counties to include: Bartholomew, Dearborn, Decatur, Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley and Switzerland. Mr. Kegerreis asked the commissioners review and sign for their support.

Ordinance 2015-02- Regulation of Courthouse Lawn - The courthouse lawn known as the "people's lawn" used by the public with permission from the Commissioners. The commissioners have adopted this Ordinance for grounds use and Surveyor Joe Gillespie has mapped out the grounds layout. This information will be announced in a press release.

Resolution 2015-02 – Joe Gillespie asked for this resolution to show that land owners in the Bruns/Harvey ditch area would only be charged an interest rate of 2.37% on the unpaid balance, which is the rate the bank is currently charging on the loan. A motion to approve was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Resolution 2015-03 – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the resolution creating the County Administrator position, which was formerly the Commissioners Secretary. There would not be any changes to the pay on this position, and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Ted Cooley – presented an update on highway projects. Also he LPA consulting contract from Clark Dietz Engineering. A motion to approve was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Bonds – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the bonds of the Treasurer and Highway Engineer and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Leberman Technologies Agreement – even though this agreement/contract is managed by the Sheriff, the commissioners sign. Council President Becky Oglesby asked how many tax warrants we use, what is decision based on and where is the tax warrants paid.

Utility Claims – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

N 911 – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to have President Tom Wilson sing the certification and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Jail – discussion was held concerning the needed repairs to the jail roof, do we need a gabled or flat roof. It was discussed that Ted Cooley would check on estimates and if a structural engineer. Also the possibility of transporting prisoners to another county. No decisions have been made at this time.

GIS – a motion was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve the GIS Limited Agreement by and between Franklin County and Jones-Warner Consultants. Motion carried.

LPA Invoice – a motion was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve the LPA Invoice in the amount of \$7,988.60. Motion carried.

2015 Appointments:

President of Commissioners – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to appoint Tom Wilson and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Vice President – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint Tom Linkel and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

County Attorney – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint John Worth and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Highway Engineer – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to appoint Ted Cooley and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Road Foreman – Dist. 1 – needs to go back to Council. The Salary ordinance only shows paying 2 and should say up to 3.

Road Foreman – Dist. 2 – a motion to appoint Brian DeFossett was made by Tom Linkel and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Road Foreman – Dist. 3 – a motion to appoint Ray Reese was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

SAC – a motion to appoint Steve Monroe was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Transfer Station – a motion to appoint Ray Halpin was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

ISO – a motion to appoint Sam Wyatt was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

911 Coordinator – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to appoint Ken Murphy and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

EMA – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint Ed Hollenbach and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Alcohol Beverage Board – a motion to appoint Ron Cooper was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

3LRWD – a motion to appoint Michael Saunders was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

IEOC – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to appoint Tom Cooney and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

ISWD – a motion to appoint Tom Linkel was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

IDC – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint Bill Schirmer and was 2nd by Tom Linkel.

2015 Areas of Responsibility

A motion was made by Tom Linkel to leave all areas of responsibility as is with Eric Roberts assuming the duties of former commissioner Scott McDonough and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Adjourn – no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: James Ballenger, Cathy Pelsor, Kevin Loiselle, Brent Roberts, Sara Duffy, Becky Oglesby, Kurt Kegerreis, Wayne Monroe and Ted Cooley. The names are spelled correctly per the sign in sheet.

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Attest: Stephen Brack
Stephen Brack, Auditor

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Franklin County Commissioners
January 20, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners – Tom Linkel, Eric Roberts – Tom Wilson – Absent

Commissioners Secretary – Carol Westerman

Auditor – Stephen Brack

Open – The meeting was called to order by Vice President Tom Linkel and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to acknowledge receipt of the report and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Ted Cooley – gave updates on various projects: Bridge 168 – to be submitted to DNR, FHWA Projects, Bridge #55 Blue Creek, annual Contract for Construction Services and Jail roof – Gabel roof option - \$9,000.00 to design and repair option – to meet with Contractor on Wednesday. A motion was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts to sign the Letter of Understanding concerning the closure of US 52 for an emergency slide correction. Motion carried.

Bids – The commissioners are considering soliciting bids for unit price, labor and equipment. There will be 3 companies awarded, to be used in case of emergencies or when the Highway needs extra equipment. The commissioners also want to change the bid form before giving final approval.

Lieberman Contract – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to have Eric Roberts sign the contract for the software product which is the receipting system used by the Sheriff's Department and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Ordinance – Unsafe Building Law – will be taken under advisement and was tabled for 2 weeks.

Ordinance – declaring a reasonable and safe maximum speed limit on St. Mary's road. Mr. Cooley asked the speed limit be reduced from 45 to 35. This will be advertised before a decision can be made.

SEI PI/Workforce – A motion was made by Tom Linkel to appoint Eric Roberts to represent Franklin County and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Alliance - Aaron Leffingwell, on behalf of the Alliance, to ask the Commissioners to reactivate the 911 Advisory Board which was eliminated in January 2013. He also addressed concerns about 911 dispatchers of not following established policies, which have resulted in fire

chiefs constantly sending complaints or emails to the Sheriff. The commissioners agreed to give their support and to reactivate the Advisory Board.

Payroll – a motion was made Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve. Motion carried.

Canoefest – Mark Reese approached the Commissioners in regards to designate some roads as one-way for the 5k run on June 27. The Commissioners were agreeable to possibly closing the road for 2 hours.

Highway Foreman – Councilman Aaron Leffingwell asked the commissioners to consider combining the foremen jobs for Districts 1 and 2. Currently the county has two permanent foremen under Commissioners Linkel and Wilson. Commissioner Roberts has been using a truck driver as a temporary foreman. Commissioner Roberts suggested one supervisor over all highway workers and all roads in the county. Commissioner Linkel does not like the idea. However, he did tell Roberts and Leffingwell to bring a plan and he would consider. Commissioner Roberts also discussed the operation of the Highway Department and the fact that there isn't a need to have 3 sets of equipment and that we are spending too much money on buying equipment as opposed to renting. Money could be saved also by repairing equipment as opposed to purchasing new. At this time no decisions have been made and discussion will continue.

Adjourn – with no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Linda Hall, Sara Duffy, Mark Reese, Ted Cooley, Becky Oglesby, John Estridge, Aaron Leffingwell, Cindy Orschell and Keith Hall. The names are spelled correctly per the sign in sheet.


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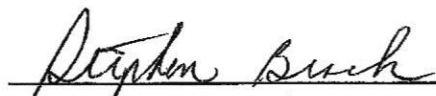
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Attest:



Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
February 2, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners – Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary – Carol Westerman

Auditor – Stephen Brack

Open – The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Letter – President Wilson said that the Commissioners had received a letter from the FFRF expressing their constitutional concerns over religious endorsement that appear on the police and fire memorials in the courthouse lawn. President Wilson stated this would be turned over to Attorney John Worth.

Minutes – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Thank You – President Wilson expressed a "Thank You" to EMS for what they do.

Ted Cooley – gave an update to the projects of the Highway Department. Mr. Cooley explained how the IDOT "grant exchange program" works. Under the terms of the grant program the county must hire an approved consultant and follow federal requirements regarding right-of-way. The Commissioners decided against using the grant exchange program on "more complex" federal projects, i.e.: repairing Fairfield Causeway Bridge and the 6th street bridge. Bridge Inspection - it should be noted that this process will require some bridges be inspected every 12 months as opposed to every 24 months and will affect half the bridges and raise the cost considerably.

The Commissioners said that March 2, 2015 is the deadline to submit sealed bids for a new dump truck. Some discussion was held as to whether the need would be for a Single Axle dump truck or a Tandem. Commissioner Roberts said the county could save money on fuel and drive time as the tandem could haul more. Commissioner Linkel preferred a tri-axle for hauling and stated the county could not afford one just for chip and seal work and the tandem would not be practical for snow plowing. It was decided to get a single axle dump truck.

Ordinance 2015-04 – Cumulative Capital Bridge Fund - upon a motion by Eric Roberts to reduce the Cumulative Tax rate by \$.02 from \$.0454 to \$.0254 this would allow \$200,000 of 2015 bridge money to the County General fund to help pay for other county services and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Both Commissioner Wilson and Linkel believe they county will need the full tax rate for bridge repair in 2016 and asked President Oglesby of the Franklin County Council if they have her word that council will not ask for bridge money in 2016 and any unused money in 2015 will be returned, to which she assured them it would.

Exercise Equipment - Franklin County Sheriff, Ken Murphy sent a letter stating that this equipment has gone unused for years and the Laurel Fire Department has agreed to take the equipment, as well as including time and labor in removing the equipment from the facility. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Health Board – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to appoint Marsha Reisert for the term of 2015 – 2018 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. A motion was made by Erich Roberts to appoint Dr. Michael Fain as the Local Health Officer and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Clerks Report – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of the Clerks report and was 2nd by Eric Roberts

Claims – a motion to approve claims was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Payroll – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve payroll and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Reestablish 911 Advisory Board – Tom Linkel stated he had attended meetings with the Sheriff, EMS and Fire Departments and that he is not in favor of Re-Establishing the Advisory Board.

Adjourn – With no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Cheryl Rader, Tom Walter, Roy Hall, Gary Solwn, Sara Duffy, Becky Oglesby and Joe Sizemore. Names are spelled correctly as per sign in sheet.

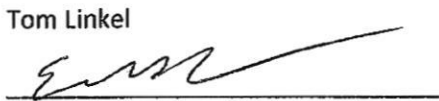
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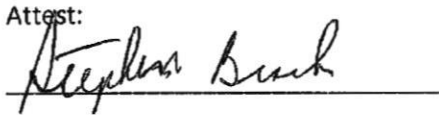


Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

Attest:



Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners

February 9, 2015

Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary – Carol Westerman

Auditor – Stephen Brack

Open – The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – A motion was made to approve the minutes of the previous meeting by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. It was noted that a name was spelled wrong and correction to be made.

Claims – A motion to approve claims was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurers report and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Ted Cooley – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve Ordinance 2015-06 – St. Mary's Road Speed Limit and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Eric Roberts was opposed. Various projects were reviewed by Mr. Cooley which include: FHWA projects, Jail Roof and Painting and Bridge #55. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve Watershed signs to be installed and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

PA Invoice – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to have Tom Wilson sign the report of \$39, 185.20 with 80% being reimbursed and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

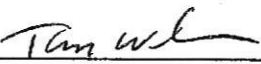
Court House Lawn – A motion was made by Tom Wilson approving Lots 1 and 2 for November Noel and a 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.


Rev. Levi – came before the commissioners expressing his desire to rent Lot 2. After his discussion it should be noted that the lots are on a first come first serve basis and there is nothing that could be done to rent him lot #2

Adjourn – with not further business being discussed a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance – Sara Duffy, Ted Cooley, Wayne Monroe, Rev. A. L. Levi, Becky Oglesby and John Estridge. The names are spelled correctly per the sign in sheet.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MARCH 2, 2015

COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM 203

Commissioners – Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary – Carol Westerman

Auditor – Stephen Brack

Open – The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Highway – Bids for Highway truck were opened and taken under advisement and bids will be award at 10:00AM at the meeting on March 16, 2015.

Public Transportation – Cathy Pelsor presented the Public Safety Medical Contract and a motion was made by Tom Linkel to authorize President Tom Wilson to sign and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Antique Machinery Club – Dale Hertel, President of the club approached the Commissioners about a new \$500.00 fee to be imposed to use the county park. Mr. Hertel also said sports teams use the park and pay no fees and they also pay the fair board \$3,250.00. Additional discussion included the bathrooms at the park and fair grounds, camping fees and where the club would stop cars and charge a fee to enter the park during the swap meet, Conservation Club Easter Egg Hunt. The commissioners encouraged the club and park board work together and discuss the \$500.00 fee.

Area Plan – Commissioner Linkel asked Director Cindy Orschell if the hours of the office are posted so the public would know to alleviate a person making a trip to the office and nobody would be available. Commissioner Linkel also asked about the possibility of using a licensed plumber in making inspections as to wait for this service to be available from her office. Ms. Orschell is also to advise the commissioners on the appointment of a Building Inspector.

Common Construction Wage – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to appoint Cindy Orschell to service on the committee for determining a common construction wage for FCCSC Geothermal Heating and Cooling System and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Fred Cooley – presented updates on Bridge #168, Jail Roof and Painting, stating bids were ready to be sent out and he would be meeting with the painter on Tuesday, March 3 at 10:30AM, Bridge #78 and the Bridge Inspection Exit Interview.

Metamora Regional Sewer District – Steve Collier gave his letter of resignation to the board being effective immediately. President Tom Wilson is to ask the board if they may have a replacement in mind.

Courthouse grounds – the commissioners have received 2 applications for use of the courthouse grounds beginning Nov. 29 through Jan. 6. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to deny the request as per the policy stating they must be county residents and return their money, which was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Minutes – a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts, with the correction stating an employee who has over 30 years (not 5 years) of service get 5 weeks' vacation. Motion carried.

Claims – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve claims and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Part-time employees – much discussion was held concerning the # of hour's part-time employees work and waiver to health insurance. At this time, per Med Ben, if an employee works regularly works more than 28 hours per week, they would be offered insurance. The part-time employee would be asked to sign the waiver they didn't want the insurance they would be allowed to work up to 40 hours. Employees who do not sign the waiver would have their hours limited to 28 hours per week.

This is a very complicated issue and hours must be tracked. It was also stated by Commissioner Roberts that employees should not be offered insurance until they reach 30 hours.

Clerks Report – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to accept the clerk's report and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Payroll – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. It was also note that Kim Robinson probation period be waived.

Handbook – the commissioner reviewed several draft policy changes regarding Tattoo's, job descriptions, health insurance, payoffs and vacations but no vote was taken at this time.

Adjourn – with no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance – Donald Dickhaus, Mike Yoder, Tim George, Sara Duffy, Susan VanMeter, Marty ^{Beckerman}, Becky Oglesby, Doug Robinson, James Sprague, Cathy Pelsor, Ted Cooley, Brent Roberts and Joe Sizemore. The names are spelled correctly as per sign in sheet.

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Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
March 9, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman

Auditor: Steve Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Truck Bid: Commissioner Linkel made some clarification to the truck bids that will be awarded on Monday, March 16.

Utility Claims: A motion to approve was made by Eric Roberts and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Aaron Bell – SE Indiana Recycling District: gave an update to their annual report noting references to pages 3, 7 and 9. It is also noted that a representative is needed on their board from the Town of Brookville. A letter will be sent to the Town before the commissioners make an appointment.

Ted Cooley: presented an update which includes: Jail Roof and Painting. A motion to approve the Notice to Proceed on Bridge #56 was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. A motion to approve sign project in the amount of \$6,815.00 was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to advertise the Invitation to Bid on bridge expansion joint installation project, to include Bridge #55, #160 and #133, was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the Covered Bridge Certification and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Sub-Grant Agreement – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve 2014 Emergency Management Performance Grant-Salaries agreement and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Building Inspector – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint Cindy Orschell as the Building Inspector and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

SO-CLERK-TREASURER – motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of reports and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Handbook – Ordinance 2015-09 and 2015-10 – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the amendments to the Personnel Policies to both the Standard/Highway and Sheriff/Jail/E911 handbooks. Motion carried. Eric Roberts was opposed.

Child Abuse Awareness – A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve April 14, 2015 as Child Abuse Awareness and to allow the use of the Court House Lawn for this event and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

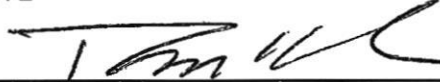
Highway – a motion to approve Jeff Maxie as a truck driver at the highway was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Adjourn: a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Aaron Bell, James Sprague, John Estridge, Becky Oglesby, Sara Duffy and Ted Cooley. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

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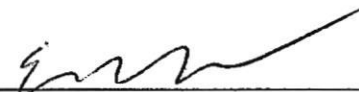
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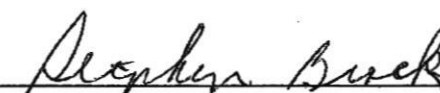
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Attest:



Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners

March 16, 2015

Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Award Bids: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to award the bid for the dump truck at the Highway Department to Shirk's International in the amount of \$124,645.00 excluding the following options: Outside Air Temp. Gauge, Power Windows/Locks, Snow type windshield washer blades, Cigar lighter(unless it is a power point – to use as a charger, and Courtesy light map pocket, and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Eric Roberts was opposed due to all funds not in place at this time. Motion carried.

Minutes – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Family Dollar-Ashley Combs: a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the application for certificate of appropriateness for proposed Family Dollar Store in Metamora and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Bruns/Harvey Ditch: Joe Gillespie came before the commissioners stating the loan at FCN Bank was delinquent. The ditch assessment was setup for 1 year and was wrong and then changed to 5 year. The tax will not appear on the land owners taxes until this year with the payment due beginning May 11, 2015. Joe stated that there was money in his General Drainage Fund that could be used to pay on the principal of the loan but he has that money earmarked for a project this spring. Tom Linkel asked Council President Becky Oglesby about coming to council and asking for the money to which she didn't give an answer. Tom Wilson stated that there is \$2,400.00 due on interest of the loan and it is not the fault of the taxpayers. In the discussion it was determined it was the fault of the auditor not getting the info on the tax rolls. More research will be done on this to get it corrected.

Certificate of Occupancy – A motion was made by Eric Roberts to have this certificate issued to Bill Pugh and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Ed Cooley – presented the commissioners an engineer update which includes: Bridge 168, Jail Roof & Painting, Bridge #78, HWA Projects, and Bridge #55. It is also noted that the county will receive a \$7,000.00 federal emergency grant for removing log jam from Blue Creek Bridge.

Metamora Fire Department – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to waive a permit fee on a 30 x 60 building and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Metamora Regional Sewer Board – there have been no applications at this time.

Oracle Elevator – a motion was made Eric Roberts to sign the contract for \$1,821.63 (annual billing) and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2015-11 – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the retention of an issued duty weapon and issuance of retired identification for Merit Deputies and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Animal Shelter – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to have the authority to sign a letter to Mr. Dave Merkle banning him from the FC Small Animal Control Shelter due to circumstances on March 5, 2015 and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

6th Street Bridge – discussion was held pertaining to sharing cost with the town of Brookville for the repairs of the 6th street bridge. Federal Grant money has been approved that requires a \$200,000.00 match by Franklin County. It is noted that Franklin County collects cumulative bridge tax money from all property owners and that tax pays for the repairs to all county bridges. No decision was made at this time.

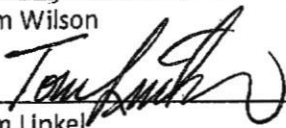
Payroll – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve payroll with the exception of the \$1,500.00 to Eric Boger. The \$1,500.00 is an annual amount and more info is needed from Highway Secretary Hollie Maxie.

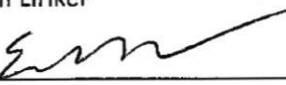
Adjourn - with no further business a motion was made by Eric Roberts to adjourn and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Roy Hall, James Sprague, Sara Duffy, Ted Cooley, Tim George, Becky Oglesby and Ashley Combs. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:


Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners

March 31, 2015

Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners – Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary – Carol Westerman

Auditor – Stephen Brack

Open – The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bids – the bids for Bridge #78 – Harvey's Branch Road were opened. There 2 bids received: Bane masonry and Construction for \$21,500.00 and Amberger Concrete in the amount of \$8,790.00. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to award the bid to Amberger Concrete in the amount of \$8,790.00 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

EMA – Ed Hollenbach – presented a Memorandum of Understanding and asked the Commissioners to review before responding. The purpose of the MOU is to provide a formal working relationship between the Franklin County management Agency and Ripley County, EMA.

Fred Stubbs – noted he would be meeting with engineer4 to discuss what was going on with the Causeway Bridge. Also he had asked his board about paying on sewer lines to which he reported they would not.

Minutes – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Joe Gillespie – continuation of the Bruns/Harvey Ditch – it is noted that Commissioners Roberts has filed the extension on the loan #75887 to be rewritten with principal and interest due May 6, 2015. Mr. Gillespie informed the Commissioners that money would not be available until June 2015 when the auditor and treasurer do the settlement from taxes paid May 2015. It was also discussed that a possibility of going to Council and asking to transfer \$12,000.00 from Dare Ditch. Councilman Daryl Kramer noted that when you borrow money from another fund the money must be paid back by the end of that year and has there been consideration take from the 2 that have already paid. A motion was made by Tom Linkel for the Commissioners to sign the extension and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Commissioners Attorney John Worth asked when we can know the terms of the new loan and Commissioner Roberts replied within 2 days. Mr. Gillespie was asked if he had contacted any of the property owners in the ditch are about paying their assessment to avoid any interest payment and he stated he had not. He was waiting for the whole thing to shake out.

Fred Cooley – gave his weekly update regarding the Bridge #168 (revised construction in a floodway), Jail Roof & Painting, Bridge #78, FHWA Projects Bridge #144 and Bridge #55 – Bridge Expansion , pre-bid meeting – April 1, 2015 and the sealed bids are to be opened on April 10. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to sign the LPA Consulting Contract for rehabbing Bridge #144 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Van Divine – presented information regarding Emergency Watershed Protection in the event of a major storm protecting lives and property threatened by disasters such as floods, hurricanes, tornadoes and wildfires.

SIS – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to sign the agreement with Transfinder on the Limited Use by and between Franklin County and the Franklin County Community School Corporation and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Jail Water Heater – a bid was presented to replace the water heater at the jail in the amount of \$19,735.00 but was contingent upon Council approval.

Garden Club – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to allow the Garden Club to use the steps at the Court House and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Erin Lambert – a motion was made by Eric Roberts for the Child Abuse program to use Lot 1 at the Court House lawn during the month of April and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

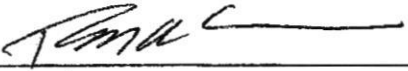
Payroll – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve payroll and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Sheriff – discuss was held by Eric Roberts regarding the purchase of 2 vehicles for the Sheriff's Department. Eric suggested taking money from Highway Edit. Both Commissioner Wilson and Linkel were not in favor of the suggestion. A motion was later made by Tom Linkel to transfer money from Franklin County Economic Development to purchase one vehicle and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

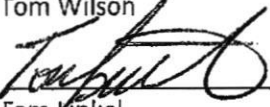
Adjourn – with no further business a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Linda Hall, Ted Stubbs, James Sprague, Sara Duffy, Gary Solar, Ed Hollenbach, John Estridge, Daryl Kramer and Marty Hon and Joe Gillespie. Names spelled correctly per sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:



Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners

April 6, 2015

Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Claims: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve claims and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's report and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Bruns/Harvey Ditch: The County Auditor (Stephen Brack) and County Treasurer (Veronica Voelker) were scheduled to be on the agenda; however, due to computer problems – server being down, people standing in line to pay taxes they asked to be moved to next week – April 13. Several landowners from the ditch area were present for the meeting and again were asking concerns about the loan, their assessments, which is responsible to pay the interest on the loan, which made the mistake, etc. They expressed that many concerns had been passed on to the County Surveyor. County Auditor spoke up and apologized for cancelling their part on the agenda but this would all be discussed in the upcoming meeting – April 16, 2015. Council President, Becky Oglesby spoke up from the audience and asked: (1) were all legal documents in place; (2) Did we make sure money was collected before breaking ground and (3) It seems nothing was done correctly. Mr. Estridge, from the paper stated that the Auditor knew this was a 5 year plan. He also said he has covered Drainage meetings before and has never seen this much trouble. County Surveyor Gillespie stated that money had never been borrowed to do a drain before.

Ted Cooley: presented his weekly update from the County Engineer. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the painting contract for the Jail and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to sign the Letter of Understanding from INDOT regarding the detour on US 52 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the Rumpke contract for 1-3 yard dumpster in the amount of \$55.00, which was originally \$88.00. Motion carried.

Court House Lawn: Kirk and Sharon Womack gave application for Lot#3 on the Court House Lawn for Nov. 21, 2015 to January 4, 2016. A motion to accept was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

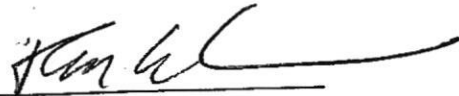
AC/Transfer Station/Commissioners office: Commissioner Linkel noted that due to a staff shortage and people having sick days and vacation days there may be times when the offices are closed so it is advisable if a person is driving a distance they may want to call ahead to make sure someone is there. Auditor Brack will have this put on the web-site as well.

Questions: John Estridge asked what was being done about the new truck for the highway department and Stockpile Road Bridge to which President Wilson responded that additional ones were put in again.


Adjourn: with no further business being discussed a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Roy Harvey, Jr., Becky Oglesby, Glenn Bruns, Gerald Bruns, Ted Cooley, Hermine Rieveschl, James Sprague, John Estridge, Gary Solar and Darryl Harvey. The names are spelled correctly per sign in sheet.


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Tom Wilson

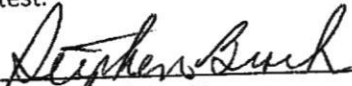


Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

Attest:



Stephen Brack, Auditor

NAY

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners
April 13, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: the meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Public Transportation: Cathy Pelsor appeared to present the 1st Quarter Report. A motion was made by Tom Linkel for Tom Wilson to sign the report and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Claims: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

VSO: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the report and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Clerk: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the report for March and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Auditor/Treasurer: Steve Brack and Veronica Voelker addressed the meeting to explain their actions on the Bruns/Harvey Ditch. There has been continuous discussion regarding the payment of taxes. It was mentioned that when this was being setup the Financial Software people helping with this said that a resolution for the loan should have been passed by the Council. Mr. Gillespie said the minutes of the Drainage Board would be sufficient. Auditor Brack stated that he was not aware of his job included the Secretary for the Drainage Board and asked that any information in that regards be sent to or from his office. Commissioner Wilson stated the assessments should have been sent out in 2014 instead of waiting until 2015. Treasurer Voelker explained further that the tax assessments did go out in 2014 but were wrong. The property owners were billed for their share of the loan and should have only been billed for a partial payment. There was still some disagreement over an IC code and wording of such. Discussion was held over the time the landowners should be paying taxes in 2014. The county treasurer said that the due date was not until May 11, 2015 as this is a 5 year project. Again Mr. Gillespie stated there was no reason to have missed the deadline. Continued discussion over the 10% interest and Mr. Gillespie stated the Treasurer was not following the correct law. In the end there will be a new loan in the amount of \$113,076.51 due in payments over 5 years at 2.37%. There is still question over the \$1,600.00 in interest that the surveyor says the property owners do not owe. Mr. Worth, Commissioners Attorney will contact the state taxing agency and ask for a written reply. Commissioner Roberts felt that everyone was at fault of which Commissioners Linkel agree except the Landowners were not.

Ted Cooley: presented his update: Expansion Joint Installation Project for Bridges #55 #160 and #33 in the amount of \$4,994.00 to Copperhead. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the bid and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. FHWA project – Bridge #55 Blue Creek Road – Commissioner Roberts wants sealed bids and not bids by phone or email. The Commissioners will apply for a historic preservation grant for the Stone Arch Bridge in Oldenburg. The county will be responsible for 50% of the cost of work performed. Jail Roof – will be advertising for bids to repair leaky roof and will be opened May 4. The painting contract at the jail will not be approved until the commissioners receive the final price for the roof repairs and are able to verify that funding is available.

Court House Lawn – an application to use the Lot 8 from Nov. 21 to Jan. 4 was presented by Buena Southern Missionary Church. A motion to approve was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Emmanuel Baptist is also asking for Lot 7. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to wait on the drawing of the display for approval and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Polling Place: Batesville will be having a 2015 Municipal Primary election and asked to have the polling place changed. A motion to Church on Fire on St. Rd 2290 was made by Eric Roberts and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Payroll: a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Transfer Station: Commissioner Linkel noted that the Transfer Station had to close on Thursday, April 16 due to sickness. He has asked the commissioners to consider closing one day a week to help with vacations, sick days and comp time.

Unsafe Building Code: Commissioner Roberts to bring up at the next meeting.

Adjourn: With no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others present: Glenn Bruns, Gerald Bruns, Sara Duffy, John Estridge, Dean McQueen, Cathy Pelsor, Veronica Voelker, Ted Cooley, Pam Beneker, Paul Lovins, Sharon Halcomb AND Mark Reese. The names are spelled as per sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson

Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel

Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

Eric Roberts

Attest;

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners

April 27, 2015

Commissioners – Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary – Carol Westerman

Auditor – Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and as 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

EMA – Ed Hollenbach – appeared before the Commissioners asking them to sign the CEMP (Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan). A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the signing and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Franklin County Clerk – Karla Bauman - approached commissioners for some type of resolution regarding payroll taxes from years past and W2's which were incorrectly issued. Auditor Stephen Brack spoke up and stated that this had been turned over to Attorney Grant Reeves and a local Accountant – Barbara Vonderheide and he assumed that this was taken care of as his office has not heard anything more regarding this. He stated that he would check into this and get back to the Commissioners. Commissioner Tom Linkel stated he would contact Grant Reeves for the information and Auditor Brack asked to be involved in the conversation. President Wilson told the Clerk they would get back to her.

FC Engineer – Ted Cooley - a motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the Log Jam Removal Project on Bridge #55 – Blue Creek Road and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the contract for Bridge Expansion Joint Installation Project for Bridges #55-160-33 to Copperhead Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$4,994.00 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. Upcoming projects: Jail Roof and Painting bids will be presented May 5 and May 26 respectfully. District Bridge and Culver Projects and INDOT US 52 small structures agreement.

Board of Zoning – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint Paula Keller to a 4 year term, expiring 2019 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Court House Lawn - a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the application of Emmanuel Baptist Church for Lot 7 from Nov. 21 to Jan. 4 and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve Lot 4 – First Baptist Church, Lot 5 – Metamora Church of God and Lot 6 – Chapel Baptist Church for Nov. 21 to Jan. 4 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

House lawn for the Princess Contest during CanoeFest – June 20 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Town of Brookville – appointment of Robert O'Bryan to Southeastern Indiana solid Waste District.

Payroll – a motion to approve payroll was made by Eric Roberts and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Adjourn: a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance – Brent Roberts, Karla Bauman, Becky Oglesby, Sara Duffy, Ed Hollenbach, Tom Shannon, John Estridge and Ted Cooley. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson

Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel

Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
May 4, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Linkel, Eric Roberts – Tom Wilson – absent
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by Vice President Tom Linkel and was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bids: Ted Cooley opened bids for Jog Jam #55 (Blue Creek Rd) and Jail Paint. Bids for Log Jam were as follows:

Log Jam -

Amberger Concrete Construction: Base Bid - \$12,500.00 – Alternative - \$4,000.00

Darren Gunter Excavating: Base Bid - \$2,400.00 – Alternative - \$700.00

Copperhead Excavating: Base Bid - \$3,750.00 – Alternative - \$890.00

MP Excavating: Base Bid - \$83,485.00 – Alternative - \$6,515.00

A motion was made by Tom Linkel to take all bids under advisement until after May 14 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Jail Painting –

G.H. Painters - \$16,850.00

Flannery Painting - \$22,000.00

Hartman Painting Company, Inc. - \$27,625.00

A motion was made by Eric Roberts to take all bids under advisement until May 26 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Minutes: a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the minutes of the previous meeting with the correction to the use of the Court House Lawn for the Canoe Princess contest and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Claims: a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve claims and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Unsafe Building Law Board – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to appoint Dr. Michael Fain to a one (1) year term and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Highway Engineer – Ted Cooley – will present quotes next week for District Bridge and Culvert Projects and the US 52 INDOT Small Structure Replacement Project.

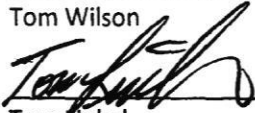
Other Business: Tom Linkel discussed some action from the Council Meeting and was questioning why an additional had to be done instead of a transfer for money on Cum Bridge. The Auditor is to get back in touch with Tom with proper information. He also discussed that Councilman Hall stated that he felt the Commissioners were not team-players. Mr. Linkel stated he felt the Commissioners do a good job.

Adjourn: with no further business a motion was made by Tom Linkel to adjourn and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others present: Ted Cooley, Bruce McQueen, Becky Oglesby, Sara Duffy, Rick Gill, John Estridge and Wayne Monroe. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

NAY

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners
May 11, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Utility Claims: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve Utility Claims and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Payroll: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve payroll at 90% for new employee – Amanda Tebbe – for the first 90 days of employment as per Salary Ordinance and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the Treasures report as presented and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

VSO: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the VSO report and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Midwest Toxicology – Suzie Fields: presented a report regarding Drug and Alcohol Testing proposal through the Franklin County Highway Dept. and the various services provide, which also provide Emergency Testing outside normal business hours, which include evenings and weekends. She thanked the county for their business and expressed they would like to continue the relationship. Commissioners Linkel and Wilson expressed their satisfaction as well.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley – noted that purchase orders on the Log Jam Removal Project for Bridge #55 are being processed and he will bring the contract to the next meeting. Tom Linkel made a motion to accept the Alternative Bid of \$700.00 making the total bid of \$3,100.00 from Darren Gunter Excavating and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Ted will send notice of award after May 14, 2015. District Bridge and Culvert Project – a presentation of small culvert quotes will be at the May 26, 2015 meeting. Rehabilitation of Huntersville Road Bridge over I-74 will be in the summer of 2016 after the school years ends as this is a 3 month closure.

Metamora Fire Department – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the Indemnity Agreement for 2015 and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

November Noel – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to permit the November Noel on the Court House Lawn November 21, 2015 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Handbook Committee: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint - Commissioner Tom Linkel, Clerk – Karla Bauman and Sheriff Ken Murphy to the committee. Commissioner Roberts asked what specific information the committee would be looking for.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to adjourn and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Becky Oglesby, Ted Cooley, John Estridge, Brent Roberts and Susie Fields. The names are spelled correctly per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
May 26, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jail Roof Bids: There were 4 bids for the project: Nu-Tec: \$142,000 – Alternate: \$80,970; Eckstein: \$175,113 – Alternate: \$74,737; Kramer: \$154,865 – Alternate: \$95,695; R & B: \$183,750 – Alternate: \$95,625. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to accept the Alternate Bid of Eckstein at \$74,737 with a start date of Sept. 1, 2015 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion Carried.

Jail Paint: There were 3 bids: Hartman Painting Co. - \$27,625.00, Flannery Painting - \$22,000.00 and G & H Painters - \$16,850.00. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to accept the bid of G & H Painters. Motion carried.

Public Transportation – Cathy Pelsor: presented the 2016 Grant Application. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to authorize Tom Wilson to sign and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

County Surveyor – Joe Gillespie: discussed the need from property owners to help improve Shingle Creek Road. A question was asked by Millie Simmermeyer as to why an ordinance could not be created to close the road and stop the upkeep. County Engineer has been asked to check out the situation and report back. Also there are 2 cemeteries on Blue Creek and Oak Tree Road and asked the commissioners if they would accept deed conveying to the County? Mr. Gillespie is to prepare legal description and the commissioners are willing to take title.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Clerks Report: a motion was made by Tom Wilson to accept the report and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: presented updates to include: INDOT US 52 Small Structure Replacement – Good Creek to begin May 29; Bridge #56 and #144 INDOT has asked about delaying the project for one year; Bridge #55 – Log Jam Removal – contracts next week; Rehab of Huntersville Road Bridge over I74 and Bridge #168 – Replacement project.

LEO Agreement: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the agreement and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Payroll: discussion was held regarding the pay of Amanda Tebbe at 90% as opposed to 100% since she was just hired and the Salary Ordinance pays only 90% for the first 90 days. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve payroll to include pay to Amanda Tebbe at 100% and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Eric

Roberts was opposed. Motion carried. Tom Wilson is to get a letter from the Judge to support the decision. Tom Linkel based his 2nd to the motion on the fact that Tom Wilson gets this letter.

Letter of Support: there is a group of citizens accepting donations to the Thomas More Society of which the Commissioners have sent a letter to Rick Gill stating their support to this fundraising effort. A motion was made by Tom Linkel for the Commissioners to sign the letter and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Auditor: informed the Commissioners that settlement would be on Thursday, May 28 and the Property Owners in the Bruns/Harvey Ditch area paid taxes of \$27,519.60 and there were no problems.

Healthcare: Millie Simmermeyer asked the Commissioners to a new plan and the county employees to pay a higher premium. No further discussion was held.

Adjourn: with no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Cathy Pelsor, Mark and Millie Simmermeyer, Jim and Gerri Clark, Brian Eckstein, Renee Estridge, Ted Cooley and Marty Hau. The names are spelled according to the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners
June 1, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts – Absent: Tom Wilson

Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman

Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by Vice President Tom Linkel and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

SIRPC – Jodi Comer: discussion was held regarding Housing Grant opportunity. There are grant funds available for owner occupied rehabilitation housing grants. Franklin County can apply for \$300,000 to \$350,000. It should be noted that SIRPC could apply for the grant on behalf of Franklin County no out of pocket money and receive the 10% match. The grant could be awarded in Aug. or Sept.

Claims: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve claims and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Ted Cooley: Bridge #55 – Log Jam Removal – a motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the contract with Darren Gunter Excavating in the amount of \$3,100.00 and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. There were additional updates as: Contracts for Exterior Jail Trim Painting Project and Roof Replacement will be next week; Shingle Road and Bridge #168.

Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc.: a motion was made by Eric Roberts to sign the Supplemental Agreement #1 for the Engineer BFS for countywide inspection and a two year interim re-inspection of all county bridges. The 12 month inspection will require 19 routine inspections and an increase in the compensation of \$21,660 from \$268618 to an amount no-to-exceed \$290,278 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Franklin County Public Library District: a letter was received stating the term of Hubie Branstetter expires as of May 8, 2015 and asked that he be reappointed. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to reappoint Hubie Branstetter and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Adjourn: no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Sara Duffy, Roy Hall, Jodi Comer, Becky Oglesby, Ted Cooley, John Estridge and Freddy Helton. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Tom Wilson

Attest: Stephen Brack Stephen Brack, Auditor

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Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Tom Wilson

Franklin County Commissioners
June 8, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Eric Roberts – Tom Linkel: Absent
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Franklin County Tourism: Mike Beck: came to the meeting to discuss 2 changes: (1) asked the commissioners to change the County Ordinance to expand lodging tax for overnight accommodations at hotels and inns to include campground and (2) name change – from Franklin County Convention, Recreation and Visitors Commission to: Experience Franklin County.

FCN Bank – Greg Meier: The Commissioners signed a new loan in the amount of \$85,398.99 with the interest rate of 2.37-interest payment every 6 months and a balloon payment on Dec. 25, 2019.

Franklin County Engineer-Ted Cooley: presented the contract for Exterior Trim Painting Project on the old Jail. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to accept the contract of GH Painters in the amount of \$16,850.00 and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to sign the Letter of Understanding with IDOT for the Unofficial Detour, Closure of US 52 and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. Opening bids: Commissioner Roberts noted that it is illegal to open bids over \$100,000.00 prior to the meeting as per Indiana Public Works Law. Mr. Cooley explained that the Commissioners Attorney approved the early opening of bids as long as 2 people were present. It was decided that bids would be opened at the commissioners meeting.

Payroll: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to acknowledge receipt of the report and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Minutes: moved to June 15th meeting.

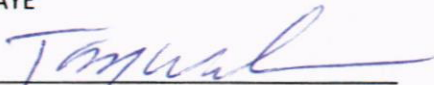
Franklin County Public Transportation: a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the purchase of a new van and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Franklin County Sheriff-Ken Murphy: a letter was received stating that 12 cellblock toilets were not functioning properly and 6 needed to be fixed as soon as possible. He has only received a quote from one company. No decision was made at this time.

Adjourn: with no further business a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.


Others in attendance: Roy Hall, Ted Cooley, Greg Meier, Mikel Beck, Renee Estridge and Sara Duffy. The names are spelled correctly as per sign in sheet.

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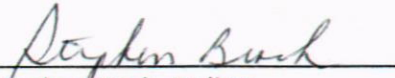
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Eric Roberts

Attest:



Stephen Brack, Auditor

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners
June 15, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of June 1 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Tom Wilson abstained. Motion carried. A motion was by Eric Roberts to approve the minutes of June 8 and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Tom Linkel abstained. Motion carried.

VSO: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of the VSO report and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Utility Claims: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.


County Engineer – Ted Cooley: Jail Roof contract – discussion was held with a proposed start date of Sept. 1, 2015 and completion in 60 days (weather permitting) in the amount of \$74,737.00. No decision was made at this time. Bridge #168 – Replacement Project – to include Negotiation for Right-of-Way, Flood Easement, etc. IDEM and USACE permit applications are submitted and utilities marked and coordinated. The bid package to contain: 2 quotes for concrete work, construction estimates: \$67,000 for everything except all hauling and grading stone, \$39,000 for blocks, excavation and doesn't include concrete and FCHD material estimate - \$245,000 not including asphalt.

McGuire Ridge, Yellow Bank roads: Discussion was held concerning the # of cars traveling these roads and how to slow down traffic. No decisions were made at this time. Commissioner Roberts has said he will discuss the problem with Sheriff Murphy.


Adjourn: No further business being discussed a motion was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Freddy Layton, Renee Estridge, Ted Cooley and Sara Duffy. The names are spelled correctly as per sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:  Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
June 22, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bruns/Harvey Ditch: Glen and Gerald Bruns, Roy Harvey, Jr and Darrell Harvey came back to the Commissioners meeting with additional questions concerning the Bruns/Harvey Ditch. Glenn Bruns reported that there were hidden costs of the drainage ditch. Mr. Bruns had several documents from 1997 to the present, including copies of bills paid by the county and stated the numbers didn't add up. The BHD contractor, Clyde Bolser was paid \$107,342.89 and the land owners are paying a total of \$120,000. Both Glenn and Gerald objected to the \$3,250 that was paid to Seig Assoc. for the survey that was done incorrectly in 2007. Commissioner Linkel stated that everything had been corrected and the expense was correct. The Bruns's also complained about the billing of the landowners and asked several times why this was turned into a project. Commissioner Wilson stated it was out of the Commissioner's hands and said this was between the Treasurer and the Auditor. Treasurer Voelker explained that it was the commissioners as the Drainage Board made the decision and not the Treasurer or the Auditor. It was stated by Glen Bruns that he and Darrell Harvey were ready to pay the taxes and were told not to as the billing was wrong. There were also several questions regarding the interest on the bank loan. Commissioner Roberts explained the numbers were from a worksheet and were not official. Again the overall cost of the BHD was discussed and that the loan is for \$113,076 for 5 years at a rate of 2.37% of which the landowners would be paying \$120,000, which is the original engineering amount from Surveyor Joe Gillespie. A question was asked if the interest could be lowered and was told from the Treasurer that it could not be and explained again the tax settlement. Commissioner Roberts explained that the new loan requires payment every 6 months with interest first and then balance to principal. Commissioner Linkel offered to provide Mr. Bruns a complete statement from the bank and Commissioner Wilson explained that no additional money could be drawn on the loan. Mr. Bruns stated that it seems that wheels are just spinning and the commissioners made no decision to the property owners

Minutes: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to acknowledge receipt of the Clerk's report and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway Engineer – Ted Cooley: noted that flashing speeds signs will be placed later in the week to help slow down traffic on the US 52 detour. Discussion was held as to how overtime is handled in the 3 districts of the Highway department. Commissioner Roberts asked that if an employee stays late to finish a project, should they receive OT or COMP time off? Both Commissioners Wilson and Linkel agreed that employees should be paid OT unless the employee would request COMP time. Commissioner Linkel was going to check with a Labor Law Attorney. Bids will be opened July 20 at 10:00AM for construction of the new Stockpile Road Bridge. Option 1 includes: installing and welding

the bridge deck and guardrail at an estimate of \$17,000. Option 2 includes: additional work such as digging holes and building the bridge approaches. The Highway Dept. may do the extra work to save money.


Jail: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to authorize Quality Plumbing to repair the 12 toilets in the Jail in the amount of \$3,210.00 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Region 9 Workforce Investment Board: A motion was made by 6 Tom Wilson to appoint Eric Roberts and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Glen Bruns, Gerald Bruns, James Sprague, Sara Duffy, Roy Harvey, Jr., Renee Estridge Darrell Harvey, Veronica Voelker and Ted Cooley. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.


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Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners
July 6, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

F.C. Comprehensive Plan: tabled for 1 or 2 weeks.

Becky Oglesby: Franklin County Council President addressed the Commissioners with concern over the Affordable Care Act. She stated the Auditor's office is burdened with a lot of paperwork and the Dept. Heads are responsible in tracking hours worked of Part-time employees. She stated she had made calls to Michael Kramer from Pinnacle, the County Representative with Med Ben of which he has not returned calls. We need to have assistance with the paperwork and making sure we do not have errors which in the event could cost the county a sizeable amount of money in fines. She also suggested that is a concern that maybe we need to have an Human Resource person on staff. Auditor Stephen Brack also suggested that the Dept. Heads need to step up and be responsible in tracking of hours and it is quite possible we need a new payroll program. It was suggested that Mike Kramer attend a Commissioners meeting for a question and answer session.

She did not say that. Carol listened to tape.

Ted Cooley – Franklin County Highway Engineer – A motion was made by Tom Wilson to sign the agreement for rehabilitation of Bridge 56 and 144 and was 2nd y Eric Roberts. Motion carried. Information was given on the Bridge 121 Deck Replacement Project. There will be a bid meeting on July 15, 2015 regarding Bridge 168. Bridge 12 – Commissioner Roberts asked why there is only one option on this project and asked if there are other bridges like this? In addition he also asked if the Bridge Inspection Book is accurate.

Minutes: a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of July 6 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Claims: A motion to approve claims was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Form 144 – President Wilson stated the Auditor had given him copies of the Form 144 for review and said it had been about 10 – 12 years since the Commissioners had been given this info.

Bill Gulley: presented a request for an addition to a porch at his home. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Freedom from Religion: a revised application has been received for Lot 3 at the Court Lawn from Nov. 29 to Jan. 6, 2016. It has been tabled at this time.


Payroll: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve payroll and to have Kim Robinson make sure the numbers add up for that of Jason Robinson and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. The Sheriff signed off on the info requested by Mr. Roberts.

Commissioner Linkel noted he had stopped by Jansing Auto regarding the old Sheriff cars that were basically junk. He said that Jansing Auto would haul the vehicles to the scrap yard, sell the vehicles and waive the storage fee and send the County the money. Jansing would also salvage any parts that could be used again.

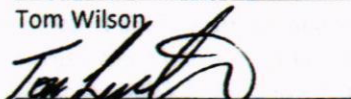
Adjourn: No further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Kevin Loiselle, Sara Duffy, James Sprague, Becky Oglesby and Marty Hon. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

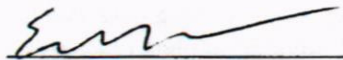
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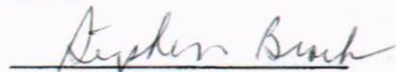
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Eric Roberts

Attest:



Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners

July 13, 2015

Commissioners Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman

Chief Deputy Auditor: Debbie Richardson

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion: by Tom Linkel 2nd by Eric Roberts To approve minutes. **Motion carried.**

Motion: by Tom Wilson 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve utility claims. **Motion Carried.**

Motion: by Tom Wilson 2nd by Tom Linkel to approve the VSO report. **Motion Carried.**

Motion: by Tom Wilson 2nd by Tom Linkel to approve the Treasurer report. **Motion Carried**

Motion: by Tom Wilson 2nd by Tom Linkel to approve the Clerk's report. **Motion Carried.**

Regarding the Mobilcomm Maintenance Agreement, Tom Linkel ask Eric Roberts if we should be going out for more bids but said as long as they are holding the price it should be okay.

Motion: by Eric Roberts 2nd by Tom Linkel to accept \$605.30 or \$7263.60 yearly and also \$56.40 or \$676.80 yearly for the Mobilcomm Agreement. **Motion Carried.**

Motion: by Tom Wilson 2nd by Tom Linkel to approve the Hassler Rental Service Agreement. **Motion carried.**

Bill Schirmer spoke regarding the desire to hire an economic development director. He said he will contact the Franklin County Economic Redevelopment and also the Brookville Redevelopment to see if they would be able to help with any funding of the director. He stated he would like to have a commitment of \$50,000 from the Edit funds for the 2016 budget to hire the director. He also ask if the money appropriated for the new sheriff car could be used for this also. The money for the car would only be for the one year of 2016. Tom Linkel ask if the economic development director could also handle the comprehensive plan. Bill said he could possibly help with this. Bill also stated he would like the Tourism department and Chamber of Commerce to be involved in the hiring of the director. Bill also ask for any input from the commissioners regarding accountability policies for the new director position.

Motion: by Tom Linkel 2nd by Tom Wilson to approve Bill Schirmer's plan for funding the position of director to be hired in 2016, with only a possible concern for the using of the appropriation of the sheriff's car money. **Motion Carried.**

Ted Cooley stated has two quotes for the Stone Arch Bridge #78. First from Rock Valley Stone for \$4323.30 and the second one from Ballenger Stone for \$3140.00

Motion: by Tom Linkel 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve the quote from Ballenger Stone for \$3140.00
Motion carried.

Ted Cooley discussed the schedule for Bridge #12 Deck Replacement Project. Southwest wingwall and tree removal completed last week. Northwest wingwalls scheduled for 7/15. Bridge arriving Thursday with assembly Friday & Monday. Road closed 7/21 – 7/31 removal, installation, approach slabs, guardrail, hot mix. Bridge open 8/1

Brent Roberts spoke for BFS to explain what had happened with Bridge #12. He said there was pack rust on the bridge and it can disguise the problems underneath. In October of 2014 there was an inspection and the problem was not detected. The pack rust could have disguised the underlying problems. This could have caused the inspectors to not be able to determine the damage. Tom Linkel ask "how can we know that BFS is doing a good job for the county?" Brent said that they are trying to do the best job they can like everyone else. Tom Linkel said "we are lucky Ted Cooley found the problem because there could have been a catastrophe."

Ted Cooley spoke on Bride #168 Replacement Project. Test hole & Pre-bid meeting 7/15 1:00PM. Appraisal being obtained. USACE permit application being reviewed. Utilities being coordinated. Obtaining quotes for concrete work. Estimate \$24,000 Bids due 7/20/15.

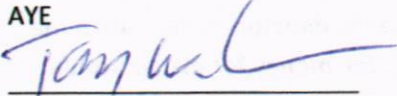
Ted stated he will be attending the Federal Funding Policy Seminar in Seymour 7/14/15 at 1:00PM

Eric Roberts said there is a Base Grant of \$157,000 that could be available for community corrections. Carol Westerman forwarded the email to the sheriff, judge, and probation regarding this grant.

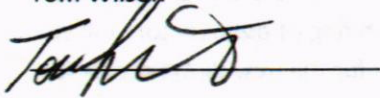
Motion: by Tom Wilson 2nd by Tom Linkel to adjourn. **Motion carried.**

Others in attendance: Brent Roberts BF&S, Sara Duffy, John Estridge, James Sprague, Bill Schirmer, Wayne Monroe, Joe Sizemore, and John Worth.

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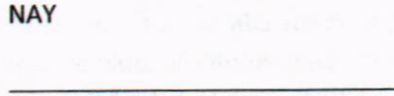


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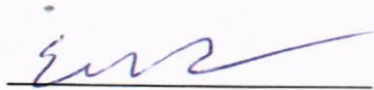
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Tom Wilson



Eric Roberts



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Eric Roberts

Attest:



Debbie Richardson Auditor
Debbie Richardson, Chief Deputy Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
July 30, 2015 20
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel, Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Open Bids – Stockpile Road #168 – Three bids were received for Bridge #168: Tom Leising – Option 1 - \$21,120.00 – Option 2 - \$115,023.00; Copperhead – option 1 – \$17,500.00 and Option 2 - \$62,974.50; and All American – Option 1 - \$16,000.00 and Option 2 - \$160,869.20. Option 1 includes assembling the bridge, setting beams and welding the bridge deck. The Highway Dept. will do the remainder of the work. Option 2 includes all construction work, demolition of the slab, digging holes, grading, clearing, traffic control, setting blocks and building the concrete approaches. The Highway Dept. will do hauling and supply materials other than the bridge. President Wilson noted that the bids would be taken under advisement and awarded at the Aug. 3rd meeting.

Highway Engineer – Ted Cooley – Bridge 12 scheduled to arrive July 30 and assembly would begin, the road would be closed 7-21 to 7-31 and reopen 8-1. Jail Exterior – Tuesday is scheduled for power washing and Wednesday will be spent cleaning the metal trim and start painting.

SEIRPC

SEIRPC – Susan Craig – updated the commissioners with information regarding the federal and state grants that can be used for qualifying homeowners with housing repair. The grants are for owner/occupied housing rehabilitation. The goal is to keep seniors and those with disabilities in their home. The loan is termed “forgivable” and is given to those who are most needy. Homeowners must be 55, disabled or a single parent. A maximum grant of \$350,000 could assist 14 homeowners. Ms. Craig also discussed the Community Development Block grant. These are grants that can be used for drinking water, wastewater, storm water, libraries, fire stations (not firetrucks). Applications are due in the spring of 2016.

Minutes – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve minutes and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. It is also noted that the Commissioners didn't agree to give money back to EDC from the purchase of the Sheriff's car. Motion carried.

Comprehensive Plan – following discussing and questioning why no maps were included and more information regarding Ray Township; in particular the area just outside of Batesville. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to send the plan back to the APC to address the issues of missing maps and to include the rural part of Ray Township in the vision of the county's future. And was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Payroll- a motion to approve payroll was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Adjourn – with no further business a motion was made by Eric Roberts to adjourn and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance - James Sprague, Keith Hall, Sara Duffy, Marty Han and Susan Craig. The names are spelled correctly per sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners
August 3, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Brent Neukam: owns the car wash south of town and wanted to address drainage problem and who is responsible on the repairs. Mr. Neukam has spoken to Co. Surveyor, Joe Gillespie and he said the cost goes back the landowner. Commissioner Linkel said it was time for the Commissioners to get involved.

CIC – Scott McDonough: wanted to address the concerns that the Commissioners had such as: (1) Maps, (2) Additional Content and (3) rescind their motion of sending back. Mr. McDonough stated the maps stated the maps have been included asked that the Commissioners approve the resolution as presented and any typos be corrected later. Commissioner Wilson said the clerical errors do not affect the content. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to rescind the motion of sending the plan back to APC and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried 2 - 1. Eric Roberts was opposed. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve Resolution 2015-20 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried 2 - 1. Eric Roberts was opposed.

Deputy Don Smith: came to the Commissioners regarding some payroll issues on a new form that is being asked by the Auditor's office. It was explained to him the need for the information to be able to track information properly in each pay cycle. No further discussion.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, July 20 and a correction of SIREPC of spelling. The motion was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Highway – Ted Cooley: presented his weekly updates on various projects Bridge #168 – the original amount of the contract was \$63,974.50. There was \$5,354.50 deducted leaving the new amount of \$58,620.00. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to award the contract to Copperhead and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. There was some discussion regarding purchase of Rebar from HarrisRebar and Byer Steel. Commissioner Roberts asked why there was no discussion on this before the bridge was approved. No decision was given. Culvert H11502- Pine Road at Morgan Road - a contract was presented by Ben Harrison Excavating to perform the necessary work at a cost of \$2,800.00. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to accept the contract and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. The jail exterior trim would be ready for inspection later in the week. FHWA – accounts that exhibit 90 days of inactivity might be closed.

Payroll: A motion to approve was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Claims: A motion to approve claims, with the exception of American Legal Publishing in the amount of \$4,807.00, was made by Eric Roberts and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Commissioner Roberts felt the claim from American Legal Publishing was very vague and he wanted to review the contract and revisit this next week.

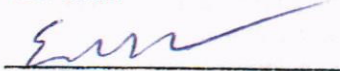
Adjourn: with no additional business being discussed a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Others attending: Lt. Don Smith, Brent Neukam, Ted Cooley, Daryl Kramer, Marty Han and Wayne Monroe. The names are spelled according to the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
August 10, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

EMA Director-Ed Hollenbach: spoke about the US Army soldiers from Ft. Bragg who performed a security assessment of the county buildings. It was confirmed that there is need for more security at the tower. Mr. Hollenbach stated that 3 new cameras on the tower will be able to scan the entire area. This will all be monitored by the Sheriff's department dispatchers. It is also noted the servicemen will be back in the county in October to lead a full-scale disaster training exercise. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the use of some of the Tower Maintenance fund for the upgrade at the tower area and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Minutes: a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Treasurer-Clerk-VSO – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of these reports and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Claims: a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve claims and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

American Legal Publishing: discussion was held concerning the codification book and some errors were noted. Following the discussion Commissioner Wilson noted the county had dropped the ball and ALP deserved to be paid. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to pay \$4,807.00 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Commissioner Linkel wanted to adopt the book but no action was taken.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley – an update was given. Four bids were given on rebar: Harris Rebar - \$14,832.63, Riverfront Steel - \$15,332.70, Byer Steel - \$18,071.94 and Kidd Steel - \$19,984.00. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to accept the bid of Harris Rebar and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. The Commissioners also approved spending about \$80 on signs that would warn of hearing impaired residents. Jail exterior – this is ready for the punch list to be reviewed. Bridge 78 – notice is given to proceed Aug. 17 and Bridge 12 is open.


Adjourn: no further business a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Brent Roberts, Ed Hollenbach, Daniel Meyer, Sara Duffy, Haroline Ison, Larry Knierman and Ted Cooley. The names are spelled correctly per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners
August 17, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman - absent
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion Carried.

Med Ben: Following quite a discussion regarding the renewal of a contract for health insurance with Med Ben and after hearing protest from the audience and council advice, a motion was made by Tom Wilson to renew the Med Ben plan with the County and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway Engineer – Ted Cooley: presented updates about bridgework On Bridge #168 and Bridge #78 and other FHWA projects. Jail Exterior – waiting for Sherwin Williams's rep to assist with the punch list. Signs – warning signs are to be installed on the five most dangerous roads in the county. This is a federally funded project, which must follow federal guidelines. The county's 10% share of the project would be \$9,800.

Harry Graves: came before the commissioners expressing several issues regarding lack of documentation for the incorporation of the Town of Brookville. Mr. Graves offered a \$100 reward for properly recorded original survey of the town's boundaries. He noted that the annexations made by the town were invalid. Mr. Graves also stated that annexed areas of the town are paying higher property taxes than those outside of the town limits. In answer to Mr. Graves, Commissioner Wilson stated that it appears that the town did not record annexations with the proper local and state offices. Commissioner Linkel stated the Mr. Graves has a good point and it would be taken under advisement.

Larry Knierim: came back to discuss his lawsuit involving the county. He updated info on the dispute between himself and neighbor Ken Konradi that started in 2012. Mr. Knierim stated that an agreement had been reached by working with a mediator and documents had been mailed to Attorney John Worth in May 2015. Commissioner Linkel said the agreement was "null and void" and he would need to start over. Mr. Linkel agreed to meet with the interested parties.

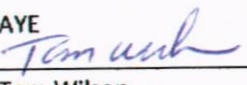
Vicious Dog Law: Commissioner Linkel stated he has been working with County Prosecutor Mel Wilhelm on a vicious dog ordinance that will be enforceable.

Payroll: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve payroll and 2nd by Eric Roberts.

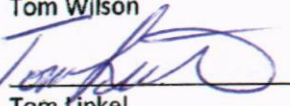
Adjourn: with no further business to come before the commissioners a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Sara Duffy, Keith hall, Mark and Millie Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Becky Oglesby, Ted Cooley, Harry Graves, Aaron Leffingwell and Larry Knierim. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

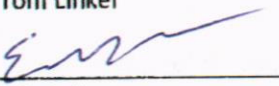
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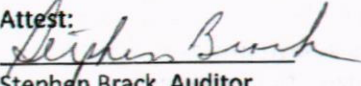
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Tom Wilson

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Eric Roberts

Attest:



Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners

August 31, 2015

Commissioners Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman

Chief Deputy Auditor: Debbie Richardson

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Joe Gillespie presented the surveyor's office findings on the incorporation of Brookville which was questioned by Harry Graves at a prior Commissioner's meeting. It was found in the Brookville Democrat 215/1933 council notes that the town hired W.L. Harper at .70 an hour not to exceed \$200 to prepare a map of the corporation which was done on 11/30/1933. Eighteen years later the corporation was adopted on 5/31/1951 based on the W. Harper survey completed on 11/30/1933. On 8/15/1954 there was an advertisement of the legal description of all concrete monuments that surrounded the town. Joe stated he has put together a package of all of the information his office has obtained regarding this subject. There is a recorded copy of the ordinance on 7/13/1954. There is also a recorded resolution 1/10/1996 when the town adopted the annexation at the south end of town. Joe stated this is out by IGA, Arby's, and beyond. Tom Linkel said that Harry's claim was that it was never filed or reported to the state. The survey was completed by a civil engineer not a land surveyor. Joe Gillespie said he does not know what the laws were back at that time but believes it was probably done as the law required at that time. Joe quoted IC code 36-5-1-11.5 as stating localities that were doing business for a period of ten years were regarded as towns.

Tom Wilson stated that Ted Cooley was unable to attend this meeting due to some work he had to complete.

Motion: by Eric Roberts 2nd by Tom Linkel to sign the MOT "maintenance of traffic" letter for bridge 56.

Motion: by Eric Roberts 2nd by Tom Linkel to approve minutes of 8/17/2015 meeting. **Motion carried.**

Pam Beneker presented before the commissioners a proposal for a Simplifile Agreement. We are going to have to start E-recording in the near future. This is a contractor that can provide that service. Everything is done on line with no paper. She said it will save approximately 65 percent in time savings. She stated she had given a copy to John Worth for review also. Simplifile will collect our fees. Eric Roberts ask if there are other companies that provide that same service. Pam states there are other companies, however, this company also works with CSI which is another firm that provides services for her. All commissioners would like for Pam to contact Simplifile and see if she can add a clause to the contract that will allow for a cancellation with a 30 day written notice. Pam will contact them and get back with the commissioners. This is tabled until this is accomplished.

Karla Bauman ask via email if the clerk's office can enter into a contract with Dossett Consulting for purposes of Title IVD expenditure monthly and quarterly reimbursement reporting. Malinowski had been performing this service for the county through January 2015. She stated it has been brought to her attention that the State of Indiana is facing a federal audit for reimbursement of Title IVD expenditures to the county for 2015. Tom Linkel ask for this to be tabled until the next meeting for approval of this.

Motion: by Tom Linkel 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve the amended claim schedule Resolution 2015-23. **Motion Carried.**

Motion: by Tom Linkel 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve payroll **Motion Carried.**

Tom Wilson started the discussion on health insurance. He stated that they had a conference call with Med-Ben on ways to cut costs with our policy. They provided as follows:

In Net Ind Ded - \$500/\$1000 Family

OON Ind Ded \$1500/\$3000 Family

SCP copay - \$50 ER copay - \$150

Med-Ben stated these changes will save approximately \$30,000 for the county. If there were 20% copay for Tier 2 and Tier 3 drugs this would also save the plan approximately \$28,700.

Betty Lecher and Millie Simmermeyer questioned the commissioners about their status of full-time employment. It was ask if they can show documentation of their full-time hours worked. There was quite in depth discussion regarding health insurance and perf benefits for commissioners and county council. Becky Oglesby said it is a state rule that elected officials get perf because they are salaried.

Tom Linkel ask Daryl Kramer and Becky Oglesby what they thought about the insurance. Daryl Kramer said he believes county council is part-time. He said he has never worked 30 hours in a week since he has been on council. He said he believes the commissioners are part-time too unless they are able to document time worked of 30 hours or more. He said we need to try to protect the county benefits for employees, if not we may see a large turnover. Becky Oglesby said September 10th there will be a meeting with Kent Irwin. This meeting will provide important information regarding the ACA and consequences of not following their requirements. Daryl Kramer said he agrees with the proposed increase in deductible amounts and copays. He said the larger deductible for ER will discourage using the ER for something that could be handled as an office visit.

Tom Linkel said he thought the county should put bridge #144 (Causeway) on hold for the time being due to financial constraints. Daryl Kramer questioned if anyone had an idea of what the county portion would be for the repair. Eric Roberts said probably at least \$600,000 and could be more. Tom Linkle and Tom Wilson said there are a lot of big issues with this bridge, not wide enough; beams might have lead paint in them, and also other issues.

Millie Simmermeyer questioned who got the contract for Stockpile. Tom Wilson said Freddy Layton got the contract for about \$58,000. She questioned if we were going to have to go back and do add-ons to this amount to complete the job. Tom Wilson said we should not have to.

John Estridge questioned what they are going to do about insurance. Tom Wilson said it is still under advisement until after the meeting on 9/10 with Kent Irwin. Tom said the public can sit in on this meeting if they so desire.

Motion: by Tom Wilson 2nd by Tom Linkel to adjourn meeting. **Motion carried.**

Others in attendance: Sara Duffy, John Estridge, James Sprague, Joe Gillespie, Daryl Kramer, Becky Oglesby, Betty Lecher, Milly Simmermeyer, Mark Simmermeyer.

Aye

Tom Wilson

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Eric Roberts

Nay

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:

Debbie Richardson

Debbie Richardson, Chief Deputy Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
September 8, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Claims: A motion to approve claims was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Clerks Report: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of Clerk's report and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of Treasurers report and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Franklin County Recorder – Pam Beneker: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the Simplified Agreement and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: an update was presented on projects of the Highway Department: Bridge 168 – Replacement Project, Bridge 78 – Stone Rehabilitation Project, FHWA: Bridge 56 and 144, Jail Roof to start mid-September, Metamora Trench Drain and Culvert SP-3101 Big Cedar Road Replacement Project.

WTH – A motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the Electronic Map Data Application and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Resolution 2015-25 – A motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the Resolution to endorse Boy Scouts of America "Blue Lives Matter" and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Meeting change: The Commissioners agreed to change the Dec. 14 meeting to Dec. 28 to allow the Auditor's office to have more claims paid before year end.

Adjourn: With no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

AYE

Tom Wilson

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

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Eric Roberts

Eric Roberts

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Eric Roberts

Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
September 14, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Harry Graves: came before the Commissioners asking about the giving tax money to the town of Brookville. Commissioner Linkel asked the Auditor to contact the State Board of Accounts. Mr. Graves wants his information at the Sept. 28 meeting.

Franklin County Clerk – Karla Bauman – introduced Jeff Dossett from Dossett Consulting, LLC. Clerk Bauman ask that the Commissioner approve the agreement for Dossett Consulting to do Title VI D Services. A motion was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Response Technologies – Angela Baker – presented information to the Commissioners regarding emergency notification solutions. At this time no decision was made.

Franklin County Transportation – Cathy Pelsor – presented the 2016 INDOT contract. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the contract and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley – presented update on Bridge 168 Replacement Project, Jail Roof, Metamora Trench Drain and Culvert SP-3101 Big Cedar Road Replacement Project.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

VSO – a motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of the VSO report for August and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Claims – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve claims and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Resolution 2014-42– a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve amendment for claims for December 2015 as Resolution 2015-26 and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.


Payroll – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve payroll as submitted and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Payroll Deputy Kim Robinson is to balance all hours missed on the payroll spreadsheet.

Other business – discussion was held concerning an ordinance for Unsafe Building. Surveyor Gillespie was unsure if there is such an ordinance. Attorney Worth will check with Area Plan. Also, Attorney Worth discussed Commissioners, Council and Officeholders. He stated that Council is fiscal body only and has no executive authority over Commissioners that Commissioners are elected officials and not employees and the hours are up to them and they don't have to track.


Adjourn – no further business a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Karla Bauman, Mark and Mildred Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Roger Miller, Tim George, Jeff Dossett, Ted Cooley, John Estridge, Harry Graves and Cathy Pelsor. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.


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Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners
September 28, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting with a correction of: Harry Graves came before the commissioners asking about the Mis-allocation of funds by the Auditor's office as opposed to the wording of: "asking about the giving of tax money to the town of Brookville. The motion to approve was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. President Wilson also asked Attorney John Worth if the minutes should be word for word or can they be just a summary. Mr. Worth said a summary is sufficient.

Freedom of Religion: Attorney John Worth announced the decision that Judge Pratt granted the motion to dismiss the case. He also noted that the Thomas More Society is to be commended for their help.

EMA – Ed Hollenbach: asked the Commissioners to approve Resolution 2015-29 which appoints the Auditor or President of the Commissioners to execute any actions or documents including grant and sub-grants for the purpose of obtaining federal or State assistance from the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the Auditor to be the designated signor and correction made to the date of certification and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: presented the update for projects including: Bridge 168 Replacement project, Metamora Trench Drain, Jail roof Project, Culvert SP-3101 Big Cedar Road. Also the FHWA Project on Bridge #56 and the presentation for approval of new and used guardrail at Culvert HI-1502 pine Road at Morgan Rd. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to pursue Option #2 from CivilCon in the amount of \$29,021.39 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Franklin County Clerk- Polling Places: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve Church on Fire Ministries in Batesville and Laurel Community Center in Laurel as designated polling places for the 2015 General Municipal Election.

Letter of Support: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the letter of support for the use of the Batesville Airport as a Public Use Airport and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Franklin County Jail: It is reported by Sheriff Murphy that the range in the kitchen is leaking gas and \$3,000.00 has been spent on repairs, parts are not available and needs to be replaced. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve an Emergency Claim for a new stove in the amount of \$11,584.00 from C & T Design and an upgrade of a 3 gal Ansel R-102 hood suppression system from Koorsen in the amount of \$2,726.00 and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Canal Days: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to permit the closure of streets in Metamora for the upcoming weekend for Canal Days and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Claims: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve claims and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Payroll: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve payroll and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Resource Technologies, Inc.: Eric Roberts presented information to the Commissioners for both the Court House and Government Center and stated that this may be a project in a couple of years. No decision was made at this time.

Motion to Recess: was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Mildred Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Tim George, James Sprague, Ed Hollenbach, John Estridge and Ted Cooley. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson


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Eric Roberts

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Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
October 5, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the September 28 meeting and the Commissioners/Council meeting on September 28 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

APEX benefits/Pinnacle: both companies had been invited to the meeting to do discuss what they could do for the County concerning Affordable Care Act, which the county has been struggling with for several months.

APEX - Bill Sylvester and Eric Dreyfuss, representing APEX spoke that they were in the forefront of the law and they know the ins and outs of the requirements with ACA. Apex is the health insurance broker for 13 Indiana Counties and 35 public agencies and endorsed by the AIC. The contract with MedBen, who administers the county self-funded health plan, would not change. Mr. Sylvester noted that the government would collect \$130 billion in penalty and excise taxes over the next 10 years from employers who do not meet ACA requirement. He also stated the Cadillac Tax on the highest quality health insurance plans valued at \$10,200 per person or \$27,200 per family starting in 2018 and it could be up to 18 months before the county would be aware of the penalty. Mr. Sylvester told the commissioners they need to start focusing on saving money and spoke in general terms about negotiating prices, analyzing information and managing risk. The County Payroll Deputy stated she didn't know the tax law and needed help. It is too technical and too much for one person. Mr. Sylvester was questioned about the county paying a penalty after hiring APEX and he said his firm took responsibility for their work, but the county could end up paying an ACA penalty in some circumstances.

PINNACLE – Mr., Mike Kramer talked about how his group has served the county as the current broker. He noted that his firm has assisted the county and has delivered what the commissioners wanted in the health plan. Currently a county employee pays \$50 per month for single coverage and \$250 for family coverage. Mr. Kramer stated that the plan has built a reserved of \$1.7 million. Mr. Kramer predicted that no Cadillac tax for 2018. Caroline Fraker from MedBen spoke as to how they have been keeping the county in compliance. She also recommended 5 Points as the HR Company that prepares ACA forms at a reasonable price. Councilman Keith Hall asked Mr. Kramer is the plan has changed in the last 10 years of which Mr. Kramer noted that the deductibles had stayed the same but other changes were made that saved money. Mr. Kramer stated that he had offered revision to the plan to save \$100,000.

Mr. Hall stated that was a drop in the bucket when the total cost of health insurance is \$1.7 million per year. He also noted the county would spend approximately \$196,000 from the health insurance reserve next year. And the cost for county council and county commissioners is another \$105,000.

Additional discussion was brought up, such as: Whitewater Township Trustee blamed the state legislature for cutting revenue on property tax and noted the county cannot afford the current insurance. Council President Becky Oglesby asked about changing employees to Part-time from full-time. Mr. Kramer noted there is a look back period and the county must make changes ahead of any changes to employee insurance coverage. Councilman Hall is worried that the current insurance will use up the reserves and bankrupt the county. He told Mr. Kramer that the county can't afford the plan/program he has delivered.

The County must finalize the 2016 budget on Oct. 13. Council President Oglesby noted the council can cut health insurance by \$400,000 in 2016 and urged the commissioners to make a decision on insurance coverage for employees and elected officials.

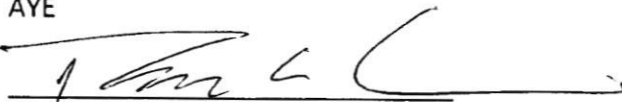
Lisa Scroggins – IN Family and Social Services: Indiana Legislature passed HB 1269 which requires the jail inmates to be registered for health insurance under the ACA. This law applies to those jailed for at least 30 days and not those who bond out quickly. Sheriff Murphy recommended the county hire Dr. Frank Krause and Lisa Scroggins. Their firm currently provides medical service for inmates and is certified to complete the 35 page application for ACA. Ms. Scroggins said the process could save money for the county. During the last 2 years the county has paid 425,000 for hospitalization for inmates. Their company, Quality Correctional Care, would charge \$15.00 per inmate and the county will have to pay QCC \$165 per month, which is much less. The law also requires that inmates be given help finding local mental health provider once released. No decision was made at this time.

EDC Consultant – Bill Schirmer: discussed plans for hiring a consultant or consulting group to handle various economic development programs. Mr. Schirmer told of various opportunities in nearby counties and that companies were looking to relocate as one of the main reasons there is a need for a director. He said that Dearborn County was working on the railroad project which would help accommodate industry along the Whitewater River and that German company was interested in 100 – 200 acres of ground within a 10 mile of a four-lane highway. Mr. Schirmer is also interested in getting a gas line on Golden Road to attract a factory. Long range plans of a hotel, apartment or condo complex development near the lake. Mr. Schirmer introduced Bob McCreary who is interested in working as a lobbyist for the county. Mr. McCreary told of his background and connections that he had with state Government. He noted there are many opportunities for federal and state grants in the coming months. He suggested that county hire him at a rate of \$6,000 per month. Trustee Roy Hall commented that a choice needs to be made and asked are we going to move forward or just sit still and go bankrupt. Mr. Schirmer along with Commissioner Wilson stated that the county could not afford a lobbyist.

Adjourn: with no further business a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Mike Kramer, Caroline Fraker, Roy Hall, Ryan Hartzler, Wilma Ripperger, Keith Hall, Mark and Millie Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Sara Duffy, Dean McQueen, Eric Dreyfus, Bill Sylvester, John Estridge, Kim Robinson, Don and Dorothy Kuntz, Pam Beneker, Ted Cooley, Veronica Voelker, Ken Murphy Dr. F. H. Krause, Becky Oglesby, Michael Wiseman, Brian Meyers, Tim George and Bill Schirmer. The names are spelled as per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

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Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
October 13, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: presented his weekly update. FHWA project – Bridge #56 – preliminary construction estimate - \$669,000.00, Bridge #144 – Causeway Road – Commissioner Linkel said he wanted the bridge fixed right at 100% and then ask the state for money on the project. Jail Roof – at 20% complete.

Claims: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve claims and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Minutes: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Tom Linkel.

Treasurer, Clerk, VSO – a motion to acknowledge receipt of these reports was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Agreement – QCC – a motion to approve the agreement for County Healthcare Services for Inmates was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Millie Simmermeyer – Rebuttal - read a letter from John Worth to Tom Wilson on Aug. 27, 2015 to which she read her rebuttal. No action taken.

Health Insurance Broker – more discussion was held concerning keeping Pinnacle Advisory Group or changing to a different broker, APEX benefits. At this time neither Commissioner Wilson nor Linkel were in favor of changing and Commissioner Roberts feels that the county is not getting the best service from Pinnacle and was in favor of a change. Eric Roberts made a motion to give Pinnacle until Dec. 28 when this topic will be revisited in order to make a decision and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Payroll: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Michael Wiseman, Brenda Eckerle, Maryann Reese, Mark and Millie Simmermeyer, Roy Hall, Mike Kramer, Eric Dreyfus, Bill Sylvester, Pam Beneker, Tim George Dean McQueen, Brooke Hupp, Brian Fargus, Becky Oglesby, John Estridge, Kim Robinson, Karla Bauman and Sharon Halcomb. The names are spelled as per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

NAY

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners

October 26, 2015

Commissioners Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts

Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman

Chief Deputy Auditor: Debbie Richardson

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion: by Tom Linkel 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve October 13, 2015 minutes and the Executive Session of September 21, 2015 **Motion Carried**

Motion: by Tom Linkel 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve claims. Eric Roberts questioned why so many voids in the claims. Advised will ascertain why and advise. **Motion Carried**

Ryan Hartzler with Patriot Insurance spoke regarding the property and liability insurance which is up for renewal November 1, 2015. He stated that workmans comp increased a little due to the increase in payroll. There are basically no changes with a couple of optional quotes. Tom Wilson ask if the communications tower is included and Ryan affirmed that it is. Eric Roberts questioned the list of vehicles covered. Carol Westerman pulled the list of vehicles and it was determined that the 2004 Oldsmobile has been sold. Ryan took note and will correct the policy. The list will be checked closely and Ryan will be advised if any additional vehicles should be deleted or added. Tom Wilson inquired if the policy is for the actual replacement cost and Ryan affirmed that it is the actual replacement cost. Sara Duffy ask for the total cost of the insurance. Tom Wilson stated \$20,000,971 and the total premium is \$202,331. Eric Roberts ask what inland marine covers. Ryan stated that it covers all equipment and not just equipment related to water. The total for inland marine is \$1,972,070.

Motion: by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson to accept the renewal. **Motion Carried**

The renewal is not ready to be signed at this meeting per Ryan.

Motion: by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts to give Tom Wilson authority to sign the renewal when it is ready. **Motion Carried**

Joe Gillespie will be holding a meeting on November 4th to discuss and arrange an inspection if necessary on any buildings thought to be unsafe. He suggested the commissioners let him know of any buildings in this category that they know of and he will check them out. There will be an ordinance forthcoming regarding unsafe buildings.

Ted Cooley, FC Engineer presented the updates on current projects. He stated, regarding project #144, that he had received two estimates but they looked high and he will try to straighten this matter out. There will be no widening and no guard rail work done on this project. He said the county can obtain a design exception and should not have to widen.

Tom Linkel suggested a letter be sent to State Senators and Representatives asking for help. Ted Cooley will write the letter and send to the applicable individuals.

Ted Cooley also spoke on Causeway Bridge and said it was built to federal standards when it was built. Repair on this bridge could possibly take the entire summer to complete and would constitute a road closure for the repair. Eric Roberts stated that if the county went to \$2,000,000 it should still be within the twenty percent.

There was other discussion regarding several different crossings where the width is an issue for farmers to cross safely with their farm equipment. One crossing was less than thirteen feet wide. Ted Cooley will be looking at some culvert replacement projects and will look more closely into this matter and advise. Eric Roberts ask if the 2005 culvert inspection could be updated. Ted Cooley stated that WTH no longer does this but maybe we can internally update the Think Map.

Tom Wilson stated that bid notices needed to be sent out for gas & oil. Eric Roberts requested definite wording to indicate a guaranteed set price. Carol Westerman will send out and request a return date of November 23, 2015 by 10:00 a.m. The bids will be opened on the 23rd at the Commissioners meeting and awards made at the December 7th meeting. Carol will also send out bid notices for tires and request bids for both 14 and 16 ply ratings and also add a line for 12R225 16 ply. The tire bids will be under the same date and time constraints as the gas and oil bids.

Tom Wilson read the Thanksgiving Proclamation aloud proposed for Franklin County.

Motion: by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson to sign approval of the Thanksgiving Proclamation for Franklin County. Tom Wilson ask John Worth if there was any problem approving this proclamation. John Worth stated no problem. **Motion Carried**

Tom Wilson read the listing of the Brookville Lake Regional Waste District Trustees. He stated that Mike Saunders would like to be reappointed.

Motion: by Tom Linkel 2nd by Tom Wilson to reappoint Mike Saunders **Motion Carried**

Motion: by Eric Roberts 2nd by Tom Wilson to enter into the proposed Electronic Map Data Application Agreement. **Motion Carried**

Motion: by Tom Linkel 2nd by Eric Roberts to approve payroll. **Motion Carried**

Tom Linkel suggested the county invite Randy Lyness, the newly elected representative by the caucus, to address Franklin County at a commissioners meeting in the near future.

M Stephen Amrhein addressed the commissioners with a problem he is having with an adjacent property owner building a road too close to his property line. He stated that the trees are on his property and the roots are on the other property owner's property. He stated that the private road is being built very close to his property line and will eventually kill his trees by destroying the root system from the road construction. He wants to know if there is a law that states how far someone can build a road next to your property. Tom Wilson advised that a structure must be fifteen feet from the property line and will research about a road and see if there is any law governing this.

Attending: Ryan Hartzler, Mildred I Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Sara Duffy, Stephen Amrhein, John Worth

Motion: by Tom Wilson 2nd by Tom Linkel to Adjourn **Motion Carried**

Aye



Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

Nay

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:

Debbie Richardson, Chief Deputy Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
November 2, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

SIRPC: Susan Craig and Patty Jackson discussed the Indiana's Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program. This program will award grants to assist qualifying homeowners with home repairs. Homeowners must be over 55 or disabled with a limited income. A maximum grant of \$350,000 could assist as many as 14 homeowners with repairs. There is a limit of \$25,000 per household. The homeowner would make no payments must agree that a lien be placed on their property for at least 3 years, which will be removed at the end of the three years. Franklin County has already been approved for a grant in the amount of \$13,175.00. Should the commissioners want to apply for the maximum there must be a commitment of \$21,825.00, which would need to be included with the application. The yearly income for a single person would be about \$18,000 to \$20,000. Ms. Jackson did state that the commissioners could request the participates to contribute \$500. Commissioner Roberts suggested that the county, the appropriate trustee and the homeowner share the cost of the 10% match by each contributing approximately \$500.00. Ms. Craig offered to assist the commissioners with applying for the Community Development Block Grant for 2016. This grant could be used for drinking water, wastewater, storm water, libraries and fire stations, but not fire trucks. Franklin County has been successful in the past by receiving a grant for the senior center.

Public Transportation – Cathy Pelsor: The commissioners approved the 3rd Quarter report as submitted. It is noted that the county has been billed for \$2,000 for rides provided to veterans.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: informed the commissioners they will be working with Structurepoint, Inc. to attempt the Indiana Department of Natural Resources to pay the county share to repair Bridge#144 – Fairfield Causeway. Federal funding will provide 80% and the county is responsible for paying the remain 20%, estimated at \$400,000.00. Mr. Cooley informed the commissioners that there will be 19 bridge inspections in 2016. The highway will begin making recommended repairs. Commissioner Roberts asked Mr. Cooley to compute the cost before making the repairs versus replacing. Culverts – it is noted there are over 4 1,300 culverts that are 18 to 24 inches in diameter. Mr. Cooley recommended not replacing any unless the pavement is damaged. Commissioner Linkel noted he wants to attack the drainage problem at Keelor and Reservoir Road before the rainy season. Other projects will include Embankment stabilization and Guardrails.

Midwest Data: a motion was made by Eric Roberts to renew the agreements for Government Center, Courthouse and Sheriff Dept. and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.


Official Bonds: a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve bonds for: Treasurer, Recorder, Clerk and Highway Engineer and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

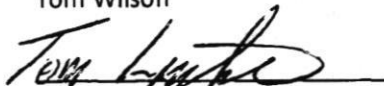
Jeff Whitaker: a motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the application for a new roof addition to the existing porch and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Adjourn: with no further business a motion was made by Tom Linkel to adjourn and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Roy Hall, Millie Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Patty Jackson, Susan Craig, Sara Duffy, Ted Cooley, Cathy Pelsor, Josh Philpot, John Estridge and Brent Roberts. The names are spelled correctly per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

NAY

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
November 9, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Clerks Report: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge the Clerk's report for October and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Treasurer/VSO: A motion was made to acknowledge the reports and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Official Bond: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve the Auditor's bond and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Government Center Bond – To act on November 23rd. No decision.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: presented update – tentative open date for Bridge 168 – Nov. 23rd, FHWA Project – Bridge 144 – Meeting with StructurePoint, Inc. – Nov. 16 and various 2-016 projects including: Bridges, Culverts, Embankment stabilization and Guardrails. Discussion was also held concerning the new location of State Highway Garage and the possibility of the old location being given to the county.

Purdue Contractual Service Agreement: a motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

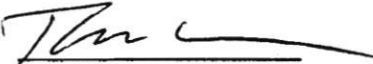
Claims: A motion to approve all claims with exception to Eckstein Roofing was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Once the roof at the jail is inspected the Eckstein claim will be paid.

Payroll and Longevity: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

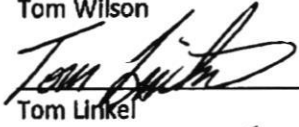
Adjourn: With no further business being discussed a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Mildred Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Sara Duffy, James Sprague, John Estridge, Ted Cooley, Wayne Monroe, Tim George and Marty Han. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

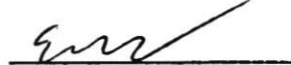
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Tom Wilson



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Eric Roberts

Attest:

Stephen Brack, Auditor

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF AN
EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE
FRANKLIN CO. COMMISSIONERS
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2015,
AT 8:30 A.M.**

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 for the following issue:

To discuss a matter concerning the, "initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing," under I.C. § 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B).

**Executive Session will be held in the Miss Hamilton Room,
Franklin County Government Center, 1010 Franklin Ave.,
Brookville, IN 47012**

Convened under the Authority of the President of the Franklin
County Commissioners

On this 12th day of November, 2015

Posted November 12th, 2015
Prior to 4:00 p.m.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF AN
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
FRANKLIN CO. COMMISSIONERS
TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2015,
AT 8:45 A.M.***

***Actual Start time may be slightly later depending upon the
completion of an executive session to be held prior.**

To discuss a matter concerning the "initiation of
potential litigation."

**Special Meeting will be held in the Commissioners Room,
Franklin County Government Center, 1010 Franklin Ave.,
Brookville, IN 47012**

Convened under the Authority of the President of the Franklin
County Commissioners

On this 12th day of November, 2015

Posted November 12th, 2015
Prior to 4:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 17, 2015

Executive Session

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session at 8:30 a.m., Monday, November 17, 2015. The meeting was held in the Miss Hamilton Room, Second Floor Franklin County Government Center, 1010 Franklin Avenue, Brookville, IN.

The Board discussed information in accordance with:

I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B) -- To discuss a matter concerning the, "initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:28 a.m.

The following Commissioners were present and by signing below attest that no other matters were discussed and that no decisions were made:

Tom Wilson

Tom Wilson

Eric

Carol Whetstone

Also present were:

Det. R. Rasmussen

Title: Attorney

Joe Legner

Title: COUNCIL District one

Stephen Bush

Title: Auditor

Title: _____

Comm Mtg
Special
11-17-15

Those attended

Tom Wilson

Tom Lyndel

Eric Roberts

Steve Black Auditor

TW opens w/POL

Grant
Revised

City of Laurens, breaching contract w/FC
in the \$500,000. 2 yr. (Riverboat)

Agreement has to be terminated by both
parties. Comm would be willing to set down
w/then & discuss. 11-19-15 deadline to file
Grant has prepared complaint to send.

TW made motion to pursue & file in FC
Court, to get what monies due to us.

TL 2nd

ER Oppose

TL made motion to pay Grant by the hour
of \$175.00 per hr. Waiting on negotiator on
contingency fees

TW 2nd

ER AIX

TL motion to have Tom W sign any documents

TW 2nd

ER AIX

adpms

TW made notes to adpms
TL 2nd
ER AIF

SPECIAL MEETING

F.C. Board of Commissioners
November 17, 2015 @ 8:45 A.M.

ATTENDANCE SHEET

PLEASE PRINT

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| 1. <u>Tom Wilson</u> | 16. _____ |
| 2. <u>Tom Lynch</u> | 17. _____ |
| 3. <u>Eric Roberts</u> | 18. _____ |
| 4. <u>Carol Westerman</u> | 19. _____ |
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SPECIAL MEETING

F.C. Board of Commissioners
November 17, 2015 @ 8:45 A.M.

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| 1. <u>SARA DUFFY</u> | 16. _____ |
| 2. <u>Will Fehlinger, Conn. News.</u> | 17. _____ |
| 3. <u>John Estridge</u> | 18. _____ |
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The following Commissioners were present and by signing below attest that no other matters were discussed and that no decisions were made:

Tom Wilson

Tom Butts

Eric

Carol Whiteman

Also present were:

Det. B. Ream

Title: Attorney

Stephen Buck

Title: Auditor

Joe Legner

Title: COUNCIL DISTRICT ONE

Title: _____

Franklin County Commissioners
November 23, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation: Auditor Stephen Brack and 1st Deputy Debbie Richardson presented the Bi-Centennial Flag to the Commissioners that they received at the Auditor's Conference. The flag is to be displayed with the American Flag and the Indiana State Flag. December 11, 2016 is the 200th Anniversary of statehood and the Bicentennial Commission is launching the celebration on December 11, 2015.

Payroll: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to approve payroll and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: Bids for highway projects were opened. President Wilson asked Commissioner Roberts to look over all the bids to make sure everything is in order. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to take the bids under advisement, with exception to Harvest Land Fuel, and to award at the December 7th meeting and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. A motion was made by Eric Roberts to lock in the fuel bid and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Unofficial Detour: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the Unofficial Detour Reimbursement Contract in the amount of \$10,419.26 and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. It is also noted that the next time this occurs labor and equipment should be included.

Mr. Cooley gave an update on various projects for the Highway Dept. including Bridge #8 – Tee Hill Road, Bridge #168 – Stockpile Road and FHWA Projects – Bridge #144- Causeway Road.

A motion was made by Tom Wilson to sign the proposal from E & H Bridge in the amount of \$50,380.00 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried pending council approval. If Council doesn't approve bridge then is not to be built.

Bond Order: Attorney Grant Reeves discussed the General Obligation Bonds of 2005 and that the Council has authorized the issuance of the bond and the Commissioners approved the refunding in order to achieve a debt service savings to benefit the county. There is a savings of \$71,000.00 over a 5 year period. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to execute the balance of the paperwork following the meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Ordinance- Cumulative Bridge Fund Levy – to be discussed at the next meeting.

Contract of Employment: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to sign the Contract of Employment by and between Barada Law Office for the litigation involving the revenue sharing agreement of Franklin County and Lawrenceburg, Indiana and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve minutes of Nov. 9, 2015 and Nov. 17, 2015 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Claims: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve claims and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

PTABOA: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint Marci Frey until Dec. 2017 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.


SIRPC: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to appoint Tom Linkel and Cindy Orschell to serve until Dec. 31, 2016 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Economic Development Board: President Wilson stated that Tim Ripperger has been appointed to the Brookville Town Council to fill the vacancy on the board.

Adjourn: No further business coming to the meeting a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Ken Wanstrath, W. Peltier, Andy Shules, Nate Jenkins, Betty Lecher, Millie Simmermeyer, James Sprague, Sara Duffy, Mark Richardson, Daryl Kramer, John Higel, Ted Cooley and Marty Hon. The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

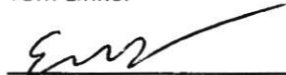
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Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest: _____

Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
December 7, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Highway Bids: The following bids for 2016 were awarded:
Gas & Diesel Fuel – Harvest Land – approved Nov. 23, 2015

Oil & Grease: A motion to approve Harvest Land was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Tires: A motion to approve Wholesale Tire Mart was made by Eric Roberts and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Pit & Gravel: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to accept all bids as presented – Harrison Sand and Gravel, New Point Stone, Ballenger Stone and IMI and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Hot & Cold Mix: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve Rohe Asphalt and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Hot Asphalt Concrete Pavement: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to accept both bids: Dave O'Mara and Paul H. Rohe and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Asphalt Recycling & Milling: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to accept both bids: Paul H. Rohe and Dave O'Mara and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Liquid Asphalt Emulsions: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve Marathon Petroleum and to deny Asphalt Materials, Inc. and Terry Materials and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Portland Cement Concrete: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to deny bid of IMI and to rebid in January 2016.

Pre-Engineered/Pre-Fabricated Bridges: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve E&H Bridge. Steel Aluminum, Concrete – A motion to approve St. Regis

Concern: John Heyob addressed council that he was upset that he was not given a bid over Harvest Land as his bid was lower and due to the County not having money, he could have saved the County. He noted he is a Franklin County Resident and Taxpayer and questioned why he would waste his time in bid preparation and not be given a bid as a low bidder.

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Becky Oglesby-Council President: came before the Commissioners addressing her concern over the information received from Conexus and why nobody from Franklin County was on the committee. She wanted to send a letter addressing the concerns and ask for the blessing of the Commissioners to do so. Following much discussion the Commissioners agreed to have her send the letter.

Claims: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Commissioner Roberts noted the final Roof Inspection at the Jail had been made and he authorized the payment be made to Eckstein Roofing.

Clerk: President Wilson made a motion to acknowledge receipt of Clerk's report and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Clerk Bauman asked about a Personnel Handbook meeting and a date of Jan. 19, 2016 at 1:00PM was set.

Bray Road – Surveyor Gillespie is taking care of this.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley – presented his weekly update. He noted that the Loan Limit on Tee Hill Bridge is 11 tons, FHWA – Bridge 144 – Causeway – letting bids, March 7, 2017. Bridge #56 – 6th Street, letting bids Oct. 5, 2016.

INdigital – postpone until next meeting

2016 Schedules: A motion to approve Resolution 2015-38-Holidays – a motion to approve was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. Resolution 2015-39 – Commissioners Meetings – a motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve and delete the May 31, 2016 meeting and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Resolution 2015-40 – Payroll – a motion to approve was made by Tom Linkel and 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried. Resolution 2015-41 – Claims – a motion to approve was made by Eric Roberts and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. Auditor Brack noted that an email would be sent to all departments noting another date for Claims (Utility Only) would be due Jan. 6 and paid Jan. 11 to help with encumbering money in 2016 for claims in 2015.

Ordinance 2015 – Handbook amendments – was delayed until the next meeting due 2 mistakes – Commissioner Signature wrong and no Holiday Info included.

Certificate of Appropriateness: A motion to approve was made by Tom Wilson and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. *(CARLA GRIFFIN-METAMORA PORCH)*

Appointments: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint Julie Schlesselman to the Franklin County Cemetery Board and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried. A motion was made by Tom Wilson to appoint Tim Ziemke to the Franklin County Convention, Recreation and Visitor Commission, Ray Township and Amy Martino, At Large and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Roy Hall – Township Trustee – noted that Township trustee info was not up to date. Auditor Brack looked at the information he had and noted he doesn't have the most recent info. He was asked to stop in the Auditor's office and new information would be given to him. Mr. Hall noted he was contacted by someone needing assistance in Ray Township and wasn't able to contact the Trustee.

Payroll – A motion to approve payroll was made by Eric Roberts and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Personnel Handbook: Auditor Brack noted that changes need to be made and the Committee of Commissioners and Auditor have not any meetings and should be meeting quarterly or as needed. Another issue to address in the handbook is Sick Days and Holiday and employees should be treated the same across the board. A new Resolution – 2015-43 was presented by the Auditor with Quarterly Meeting dates, Advisory Functions of the committee and a proposed new committee of: One member


from Council, One Commissioner, Auditor, Clerk and Sheriff. The Auditor asked the Commissioners to approve and sign the Resolution. A correction needed to be made eliminating the County Attorney verbiage from the Resolution. The Commissioners approved but will sign at the next meeting.

Other items: Napoleon Water – do we have an easement. Usage of personal tools at the highway. What happens is tools come up missing? Truck Driver Maxie wanting to transfer from Dist. 1 to Dist. 3 and Salvage Equip – have an auction to dispose of.

Adjourn: With no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Eric Roberts and 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Mildred Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Sara Duffy, Ted Cooley, Dean McQueen, Becky Oglesby, John Estridge and Karla Bauman. The names are spelled correctly per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

Attest;

Stephen Brack, Auditor

NAY

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Franklin County Commissioners
December 21, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Auditor Office: Stephen Brack, Auditor and Kim Robinson, Payroll Deputy came to the meeting and stated that the Consulting Firm that was hired to assist with ACA is not doing their job. Again they have stated they want to hire Apex benefits. Ms. Robinson has stated repeatedly that Pinnacle is not helping and she would like to have someone from 5 Points come to the office and sit down and assist her in the reporting, tracking and filing of ACA. They noted that sometimes it takes 3 days to get a response to email and phone call from 5 Points. Commissioner Wilson stated he thought the problem is in the Auditor's Office and not that of Pinnacle or 5 Points. Commissioner Roberts stated that after the first of the year the county needs to open up the insurance to outside bidding, which would possibly mean a new broker and consultants. Commissioner Linkel stated that following the meeting he would be contacting Mike Kramer; Pinnacle to make sure the county is getting everything that he promised. No decisions were made at this time.

Payroll: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve payroll and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Claims: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve claims and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting with amending the Certificate of Appropriation stating the Applicant, subject and the contractor with the cost of \$6,855.00 and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Veterans and Treasurer: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to acknowledge receipt of reports and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway Engineer – Ted Cooley: presented his weekly update to the Commissioners highlighting various projects: Bridge #144 and Bridge #56. He also stated that there were projects for 2016 for FHWA- Bridge Inspection, Bridge #8, repair and replacement of some 19 bridges and also Culverts.

Oesterling: have notified the county they would like to get fiber optics conduit to their office on Huntersville Road. A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve with Ted Cooley assisting on the project and needed information and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

County Surveyor – Joe Gillespie: came to the commissioners regarding drainage problem at Bray Road. The commissioners stated they have checked this out and all feel that there is no obstruction. They said if this continues to be a problem then they will revisit in 6 to 8 months.

INDigital: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the agreement for the software at 911 for 3 year annual maintenance 12% discount \$8,878.46 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.
Lieberman Technologies: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve the Non-Exclusive License Agreement for Tax Warrant System and Cash Book and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2015-22: a motion to approve with changes made to section 4.2 – Holidays and section 4.3 Sick Leave was made by Tom Linkel 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Board of Health: Becky Kolb was reappointed for a 1 year term.


Conexus: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to approve sending a letter from Council President Becky Oglesby regarding the recent Logistics for southeast 15 counties listing various areas of concern and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

John Heyob – Lykins Oil: Commissioner Linkel informed the Commissioners he had met with Mr. Heyob over bids for the County from his company. He had asked for various samples of Lykins products and he tested them and all specifications were met. He said he would amend his motion from the Dec. 7 meeting on Oil and Grease bids and would approve both bids: Lykins Oil Company and Harvest Land Co-op and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Adjourn: a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Walter Oelrich, Betty Lecher, Millie Simmermeyer, Brent Roberts, Sara Duffy, John Estridge, Kim Robinson, Ted Cooley, Pam Beneker and Bill and Eric from Apex. The names are spelled correctly per the sign in sheet.

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Tom Wilson


Tom Linkel


Eric Roberts

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Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attest: _____ Stephen Brack, Auditor

Franklin County Commissioners
Dec. 28, 2015
Commissioners/Council Meeting Room 203

Commissioners: Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel and Eric Roberts
Commissioners Secretary: Carol Westerman
Auditor: Stephen Brack

Open: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Wilson and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Business of the Year: President Wilson presented plaques to Joe Jester of Brookville IGA and Art Hildebrand, President of FCN Bank as Outstanding Businesses of the Year.

Minutes: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Claims: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve claims and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Pinnacle/Apex: Much discussion was held concerning the consulting companies and the services provided by both. Following the discussion a motion was made by Tom Linkel to keep Pinnacle/Mike Kramer and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried. Eric Roberts was opposed. Commissioner Roberts stated again that after the first of the year he is interested in putting the Insurance and Consultants out for bids.

Southeastern IN Solid Waste Appointment: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to re-appoint Tom Linkel and was 2nd by Tom Wilson. Motion carried.

Alcoholic Beverage Board Appointment: A motion was made by Eric Roberts to re-appoint Ronald Cooper and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Antenna Site Agreement: A motion was made by Tom Wilson to accept the agreement with Indiana Paging Network a yearly fee of \$2,400.00 and Whitewater Valley REMC at \$200.00 per month rate with payment Semi-Annual payment of \$1,200.00 and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Conservation Club: A motion was made by Tom Linkel to approve the lease and was 2nd by Eric Roberts. Motion carried.

Franklin County Highway – Ted Cooley: presented updates along with 2016 Monthly Expenditures and Reimbursement. Mr. Cooley noted he will be meeting with Greg Prince, Project Manager in January at the Quarterly Tracking Meeting.

Adjourn: with no further business being noted a motion was made by Tom Wilson to adjourn and was 2nd by Tom Linkel. Motion carried.

Others in attendance: Mildred Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Sara Duffy, Keith Hall, Joe Jester, Art Hildebrand, Beth Siebert and Ted Cooley.

The names are spelled correctly as per the sign in sheet.

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